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Preface to History of Newark Lodge.

After years of arduous labor by the late Brother Charles E. Weeks and myself, I desire to present this Souvenir, fully cognizant of its possible defects.

I desire to point to the complete disappearance of many of the records of this Lodge, covering many years, but I hope, however, that these pages may serve to recall pleasant memories to our older members and excite and direct the younger to a desire to emulate those who have gone before.

In the compilation of this book, I have had to search the records of the Grand Lodge, the minutes of the Lodge being partly missing. It has been necessary to obtain many of the facts from other sources. My experience, like all other historians, has found unexpected moments and from unsought avenues have come interesting and valuable information.

To Wor. Bro. Weeks I wish to say, the Lodge owes a great deal for his research of the early History and in collecting many of the pictures of the early Past Masters.

I wish also to express my sincere thanks to all those who have assisted me in procuring data. To the Brethren who helped me get facts and information which aided me to complete this work, I also acknowledge my indebtedness; also to the Grand Secretary, Bro. Isaac Cherry, I feel grateful. To Bro. Williams, who has done much of the typewriting of the manuscript before the Printing Committee received it for the press, I wish to express my appreciation.

I have used every endeavor to do justice to all concerned in this work, and have used every effort to deal fairly with all men. Taking the facts as I found them, from the best authority obtainable, and I trust the readers of this book will take this into consideration, even though it may be found to be faulty, and say, I did my best to please ALL.

(Signed) J. EDWARD BLACKMORE,

Historian.

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MOST WOR. BRO. WILLIAM B. MACKEY
Grand Master
1927

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WILLIAM G. SEYFARTH

Worshipful Master

1927

Sixty-third Master

Introduction.

In the year eighteen hundred and eighty a circular letter, from the Grand Lodge Historical Committee, was received by Newark Lodge, requesting replies to certain questions bearing upon the history of Freemasonry in New Jersey, and a Committee on History was thereupon appointed to make the necessary examination of our old records. After the chairman, Bro. Charles E. Weeks, had furnished the desired information, he continued the search for historical data and commenced this work.

No previous attempt had been made to write our history, with the exception of the brief sketch written by him for publication with the By-Laws, in 1875, which was subsequently revised for the historical address delivered by Wor. Bro. J. Edward Blackmore at our 75th Anniversary, and an address written by Most Wor. Bro. Daniel B. Bruen, in 1864, in which he related his reminiscences of our early history, much of which he said was traditionary. The early files of the Lodge were inaccessible when Bro. Bruen's address was written. When the Lodge moved in 1859, they were placed in the loft, above the lodge room, where they remained until brought to light in 1875. These papers comprised a number of historical documents, including the original dispensation granted by Grand Master Darcy and all of the old petitions for membership. The recovery of these papers, together with the publication, in 1870, of the early proceedings of the Grand Lodge, removed very much of our history from the realm of tradition, in which it had lain buried, and furnished actual data for historical work, in place of personal recollections.

Actual copies of all documents and resolutions relating to the history of the Lodge, so far as they could be obtained, are presented in the following pages, rather than the conclusions formed by the historian from their perusal.

It will be observed that this Lodge is referred to in some of the earlier documents and resolutions as "The Newark Lodge." This was simply following the common practice of using the word "The" as part of the title of an association or corporation, and it is not surprising that it should have been so used in this instance, when we reflect that two of those known to have engaged in the preparation of the papers were lawyers.

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In the early period of our history, the ardor of all but the most zealous advocates of the institution was quenched during the struggle with the forces that were arrayed against Freemasonry, in consequence of the abduction of William Morgan, and the question is therefore naturally asked, "What were the facts in regard to Morgan's disappearance?"

From the report of the District Attorney of Ontario County, to the "Committee of the Legislature of New York on the Abduction of William Morgan," it appears that during the summer of 1826, it was reported and generally understood that Morgan was writing a book on Freemasonry, to be published by David C. Miller, of Batavia, which reports were verified by subsequent events. Meetings were held to consider measures to suppress the publication and a conspiracy was entered into by Nicholas Cheesbro, one of the coroners of Ontario County, and others, to accomplish that result.

On September 11th, Morgan was arrested at Batavia, where he then resided, and taken to Canandaigua to answer a charge of larceny. Upon being brought before a magistrate, he was immediately examined and discharged from arrest, as the charge appeared to be unfounded. After his discharge, a demand of two dollars was presented against him, for which he confessed judgment. An execution was forthwith issued and he was again arrested and placed in jail, from which he was released between nine and ten o'clock in the evening of September 12th, by one of the conspirators paying the debt. Morgan was then forcibly placed in a carriage and eventually reached Fort Niagara, but what finally became of him is a mystery which will probably remain forever unsolved.

While no evidence was adduced at the trial of the conspirators, to connect the Masonic fraternity, as an organization, with the outrage, it was proved that all of those engaged in it were members of the fraternity. It is unfortunate, therefore, that prominent Masons did not either appear before the Legislative Committee and express their abhorrence of such criminal conduct by their brethren, or denounce in public an outrage for which there was no sanction in Freemasonry. Their failure to do so brought unmerited dishonor upon the institution and aroused such an antagonism to it, that for nearly twenty years its lights were practically extinguished.

As a result of the outrage, an anti-Masonic party was organized in the western part of New York in 1827, and spreading

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rapidly into other States, soon grew into a formidable political organization. It polled 33,000 votes in the State of New York in 1828, 70,000 in 1829 and 128,000 in 1830. A National anti-Masonic convention was held and William Wert, of Maryland, and Amos Ellmaker, of Pennsylvania, became the candidates of the party for President and Vice-President, at the national election in 1832. Anti-Masonic electoral tickets were supported in most of the free States, but were successful only in Vermont. In 1835 they succeeded in electing their candidate for Governor in Pennsylvania, but the party gradually lost its distinctive character and soon ceased to exist.

During its existence, it so influenced the religious, social and industrial life of the community, that none but the most fearless were willing to acknowledge their adherence to the despised institution, and for nearly twenty years Freemasonry in the northern States was completely paralyzed. Many lodges in this State were compelled to suspend labor and return their warrants and, although a few kept up their legal organization, the order became as virtually dead as though every warrant had been surrendered. Our Grand Lodge suffered in common with the subordinate lodges. At the annual communication held in November, 1826, there were thirty-one lodges represented; in 1830 the number was reduced to eight; and in 1834 there was only one more than the constitutional number of three; and it was not until 1845 that there was any marked improvement in the representation.

A table in the appendix, giving the number of meetings held in each year, together with the number raised, affiliated, died, dismissed, suspended, expelled and reinstated, and the net membership at the end of each year, shows far better than words can express, the early struggle for existence and the gradual rise, after the abatement of the anti-Masonic movement, to a final condition of stability.

An earnest effort has been made, in the following pages, to place before the brethren, in an interesting manner, the important facts relating to the history of Newark Lodge. It is for them to determine whether the work has been done satisfactory to all concerned.

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History of Newark Lodge.

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In the reminiscences of our early history, Brother Bruen said, that prior to the formation of this Lodge, he was taunted with the assertion that men of respectability, who were Masons, had renounced the order and would hold no communion or fellowship with the fraternity. As he was not then connected with any lodge, having demitted from St. John's Lodge in 1822, the assertion may have been an unpleasant reminder that he was derelict in having severed his membership.

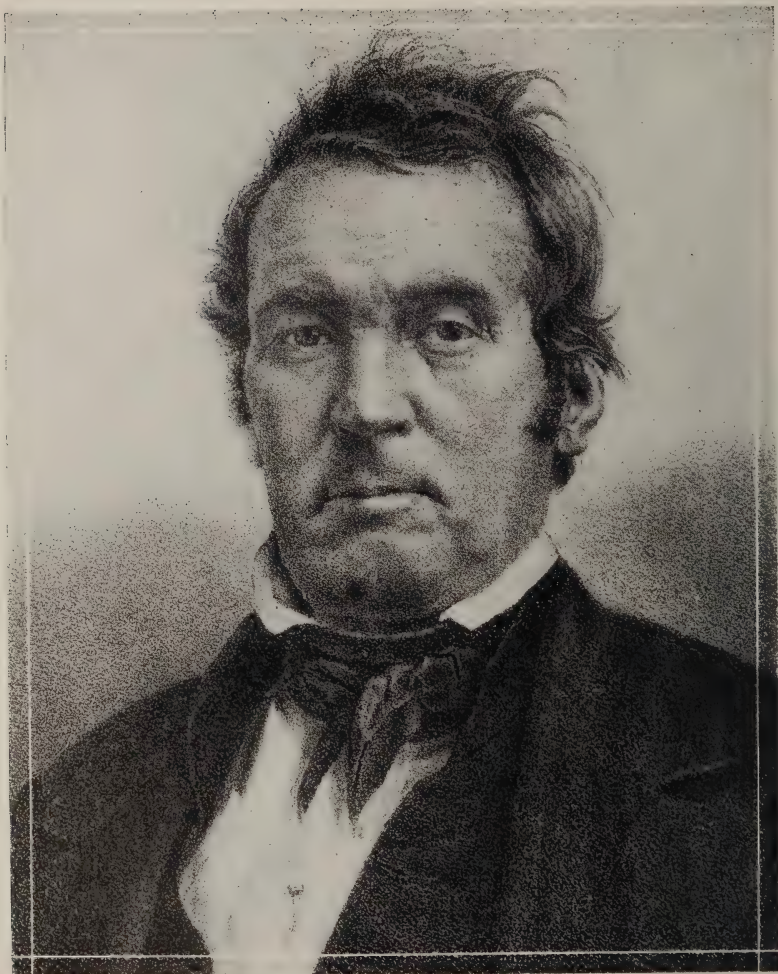
A discussion of the subject, in the month of May, 1826, with his friend George W. Campbell, who was then a resident of Newark, but a member of Bloomfield Lodge, No. 48, although Brother Bruen incorrectly says that he was not then connected with any lodge, resulted in their determination to refute the charge by forming a new lodge and drawing into its fellowship men of prominence in the community, who had been actively connected with the order in their early years, and who would give character to the undertaking.

Having obtained the consent of James Hedden, Moses Smith and James Black, men of exemplary character, to be named as the three principal officers, they had little difficulty in securing twenty-one signatures to their petition for a dispensation. This petition, unfortunately, is not on the files of the Grand Lodge and it is, therefore, impossible to publish a copy.

“While the petitioners met with considerable opposition from a few individual Masons, who brought a strong pressure to bear upon Grand Master Darcy to induce him to withhold his approval, it is a pleasure to record that St. John's Lodge, as a body, was not in sympathy with the opposition, and that when the petition was presented to them with request for recommendation, they promptly complied, as will be seen by the following extract from their minutes of January 10, 1827:

“A petition from a number of Master Masons was presented, praying for a recommendation from this lodge to the Grand Master of this State, for a dispensation to form themselves into a lodge to be denominated the Newark Lodge and, on motion, it was unanimously resolved that this lodge recommend the petition, which was accordingly done, and it was also resolved that we tender to the

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applicants the use of our room for one year, which was unanimously agreed to."

The petition and recommendation were then presented to Grand Master Darcy, who promptly issued the following dispensation:

"To all whom it may concern:

Whereas it appears to me from the petition of sundry brethren of Newark, Within the State of New Jersey, who are recommended to me by a resolution of St. John's Lodge, No. 2, constituted under our jurisdiction, that the congregation of the said petitioners, and others whom they may think proper to admit into their society, will have a tendency to further and promote the craft, and as such a congregation can be formed during the recess of the Grand Lodge by virtue of a special dispensation only;

"I, therefore, John S. Darcy, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, do, by virtue of authority vested in me, agreeably to the constitution of Ancient York Masons, hereby authorizing and empowering our trusty and well beloved brethren, James Hedden, Esq., as Master; Moses Smith, Esq., as Senior Warden; James Black, Esq., as Junior Warden; Thomas Christie, William Halsey, Thomas Whitlock, Israel Brown, John B. Carle, William Stevens, Daniel B. Bruen, David Beach, Charles Tucker, Isaac H. Pierson, John Morris, Jr., James Nuttman, Andrew Rankin, John Ward, Matthias Day, Japhia Harrison, George W. Campbell and Elias E. Boudinot, at some certain place in the town of Newark, to form and open a lodge, by the name of Newark Lodge, after the manner of ancient Masons, and in said lodge, while thus open, to admit, enter and make Free Masons, according to the true and ancient custom, and not otherwise, with the sole intent in view, that the brethren so congregated, admitted, entered and made, when they have an opportunity, may make application and be duly warranted and constituted for being and holding a regular lodge for the further promotion of the craft and increasing the number of worthy brethren; provided that this dispensation do continue and be in force until the next session of the Grand Lodge, and no longer.

"Given under my hand and seal, this 20th day of January, in the year of our Lord, 1827, and of Masonry, 5827.

JOHN S. DARCY, G. M. (Seal)."

Although the evening of February 6th was stormy, St. John's Hall was filled at an early hour by the petitioners and visitors from neighboring lodges, together with sojourners in the vicinity, to par-

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While thus open, to admit, enter and make free
Masonic members to the true ancient custom, and not
otherwise, with the sole intent and view, that the
brothers so congregated admitted entered and made
when they have an opportunity, may make applications
and be duly warranted and initiated for being &
holding a regular lodge for the better promotion
of the Craft and increasing the number of worthy
Brethren, provided that this dispensation do
continue and be in force until the next session
of the Grand Lodge in the next year.

Given under my hand and seal this 28th day
of June in the year of our Lord 1827 and of the
Massachusetts 33rd.

Wm. S. Barry & Co
Secy.

And it is hereby ordered that
this warrant be put in force in the
Masonic Hall in Boston and in the
Masonic Hall in New York
this 28th day of June 1827.

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ticipate in or witness the ceremony of instituting a new lodge. Past Master Isaac Andruss, of St. John's Lodge, by request, opened a Master Mason's lodge in due form. Accompanied by his associate grand officers, Most Wor. John S. Darcy, Grand Master, then entered and assumed the east end, after the request of the petitioners had been read, proceeded to install the following officers: James Hedden, Worshipful Master; Moses Smith, Senior Warden; James Black, Junior Warden; William Stevens, Treasurer; Isaac H. Pierson, Secretary; George S. Pierson, Senior Deacon; John Morris, Jr., Junior Deacon; Daniel B. Bruen, Senior Master of Ceremonies; and George W. Campbell, Junior Master of Ceremonies.

It will be observed that the name of the Senior Deacon is not included in the list of those to whom the dispensation was granted, but as the Grand Master recognized him as one of the original members by installing him in office, he is credited as such on our roll of membership, making twenty-two charter members in all.

At the conclusion of the installation, the same was thrice proclaimed by the Deputy Grand Master and, no objection being made, the Grand Master pronounced the lodge duly instituted by the name of Newark Lodge, with full power, by dispensation, to meet, admit, enter and make Free and Accepted Masons, agreeably to the true ancient custom.

Four petitions were presented in the evening upon which the lodge was instituted: Ralph Morgan, for initiation; and William H. Earl, Jonathan C. Ball and John Ogden, for affiliation. A code of by-laws was also adopted and Elias E. Boudinot, William Stevens and Daniel B. Bruen, who were appointed as the Standing Committee, were instructed to have them printed.

It will be interesting to contrast the laws adopted for the government of the lodge in eighteen hundred and twenty-seven, with those in force one hundred years later, and as the original copy, with the signatures of many of our first members is still in existence, it has been deemed advisable to publish them herewith. They are as follows:

ARTICLE 1st.

The regular communications shall be on every Tuesday evening, on or preceding the full moon.

From the autumnal until the vernal equinox, the hour of meeting shall be six o'clock, P. M.; from the vernal to the autumnal, seven o'clock, P. M.

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The place of meeting shall be St. John's Hall, unless otherwise ordered by the Worshipful Master or a majority of members of the lodge.

Extra communications shall be subject to the same regulations as when convened on its regular meetings.

When an extra communication is called at the request of a candidate or for the benefit of a living brother, the cost of such extra shall be at his or their expense.

ARTICLE 2nd.

The election for officers shall be held on the stated lodge night preceding the Festival of St. John the Evangelist.

On the evening of election the Secretary shall place the ballot box on his table, wherein any member may put his nomination for any or all of the offices to be filled by election; previous to the balloting, the secretary shall make a list of all persons nominated and the offices for which they stand proposed, and proclaim the same, from which list of nominations, the election shall be as follows:

Tickets shall be made and put into the ballot box for one office singly, and that brother having the majority of votes shall be the officer elect.

Three brethren shall be appointed by the Master to canvass the votes of each ballot and report the person elected.

The Worshipful Master, Wardens, Treasurer, Secretary and Tyler shall be elected by ballot.

The Deacons, Masters of Ceremonies, Stewards and Standing Committee shall be appointed by the Master and Wardens elect.

ARTICLE 3rd.

It shall be the duty of the Worshipful Master to put all motions made and seconded; to be careful that the by-laws be duly and promptly enforced, and in no case to allow a violation of them, unless necessity and three-fourths of the members sanction it.

When there is no majority in a ballot, the Master shall give the casting vote. He shall appoint all committees, other than the Standing Committee or those that may affect himself.

The Treasurer shall make regular entries of all monies received, and his disbursements out of the same, in a book kept for that purpose, and have his vouchers always ready for examination; and report the amount of funds in the treasury, at every regular communication in May and November.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a regular minute

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of all proceedings proper to be written; to keep a list of all the members of the lodge, with the times of their admission, the discharges, deaths, suspensions and expulsions of members; and make a written notice to each member for every meeting and hand them to the Tyler, immediately after notification from the Master; to receive all monies due the lodge, pay them over to the Treasurer, to take his receipt and keep an account of the same; also to read, in open lodge, these by-laws once in three months. The Secretary, for every year's faithful performance of his duty, shall receive ten dollars, and for every certificate to which he may affix the seal of the lodge, he shall be entitled to fifty cents from the person for whom the certificate may be granted.

It shall be the duty of the Tyler carefully to guard the lodge from intrusion; promptly to attend all legal calls from the Master, and give timely notice to the members of every regular and extra ordered by the Master. For every evening's faithful performance of his duty, he shall receive seventy-five cents, and one dollar for every initiated candidate.

It shall be the duty of the Standing Committee to make diligent inquiry into the qualifications and character of all candidates for the benefits of Masonry or membership; to bring in all petitions for the benefits of Masonry or membership; to audit the accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer and make report of the state of the same to the lodge semi-annually. If any brother shall state to the Standing Committee wherein the conduct of any member or members of this lodge is incompatible with the spirit of Masonry or welfare of the craft, they shall prefer charges against that member or those members and cite him or them to appear and answer to the same in open lodge.

ARTICLE 4th.

The established fees for three degrees shall be sixteen dollars; for an adjoining member, two dollars.

The annual dues shall be one dollar and fifty cents, payable on or before the 27th day of December in each and every year.

ARTICLE 5th.

Proposals for the benefits of Masonry shall be in writing, signed by the petitioner, and handed to the Standing Committee.

The petition must set forth the name, age, occupation and place of residence of the petitioner; accompanied by a deposit of two dollars, to be forfeited to the lodge if the petitioner be accepted

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and refuse to come forward and receive the benefits of Masonry.

If the lodge consent to the candidate's petition being entered on the minutes, the Standing Committee shall be required to make their report on the petitioner's character and qualifications in four weeks, but not in a shorter time.

The report being favorable, the lodge may go into the ballot and no objection being found, the candidate may be received into the benefits of Masonry, after paying the established fees for three degrees; but if the petitioner be rejected, his deposit of two dollars shall be returned to him.

The petition of every candidate must be accompanied by two vouchers, each a member of this lodge, who, in case of a rejection by less than three ballots, shall be entitled to know the cause for such rejection, and if no reasonable cause be assigned, the lodge may go into the ballot a second and third time, and if less than three black balls still appear, the petition may be withdrawn with the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

The ballotings for adjoining members to be subject to the same regulations as petitioners for the benefits of Masonry.

ARTICLE 6th.

Any member who may be in arrears for any money due to this lodge, shall not be eligible to any office, neither entitled to vote.

Should any member refuse or neglect to pay his lodge dues within six months after they become due, he shall be suspended, and if he refuse or neglect to pay the same for six succeeding months, he shall be expelled.

The Secretary and Tyler shall be subject to a fine of one dollar each for every evening they fail in the performance of their duty, unless they render a satisfactory excuse for the failure, either to the Worshipful Master or to the lodge.

Should any brother, a member or visitor, be guilty of any improper or disrespectful conduct in this lodge, for the first time he shall be called to order, for the second, reprimanded by the Chair, for the third, expelled for the evening.

All Masonic offences, whose punishments are not pointed out by these by-laws, the constitution and by-laws of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, nor by the general regulations of Masonry, shall be subject to such punishment as the lodge, in their discretion and judgment, may see proper to inflict.

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ARTICLE 7th.

Any three members having business to transact with the lodge that cannot be deferred to a regular, shall, upon representing the same to the Master, be entitled to a call for an extra, without cost to themselves, provided such call is not for their nor any of their individual benefit.

A member shall not speak more than twice upon any subject, unless by permission from the Master or to explain a previous remark, if misapprehended therein.

If the circumstances of any member are such that the payment of lodge dues are burdensome, he may, by representing the same to the Master, be, at the discretion of the lodge, exempt from dues while so circumstanced.

This lodge may make or elect such respectable Master Masons, as they may think proper, to be honorary members, who, when made or elected, shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership, though not subject to pay dues.

ARTICLE 8th.

Any brother wishing to become an adjoining member, must first satisfy this lodge that he is neither a member of nor indebted to any other, and produce a regular and honorable discharge from the last lodge of which he was a member. If, after one month's proposal, the Standing Committee report favorably, and he comply with the by-laws, he shall be balloted for.

Any member having been expelled for non-payment of dues, wishing to rejoin, must first pay into the hands of the Secretary lodge dues up to the time of his application to rejoin, and no further cause for expulsion appearing against him, with consent of the lodge, he shall be readmitted.

ARTICLE 9th.

The books of the Secretary and Treasurer, together with the jewels, implements, furniture and funds, shall be the joint and equal property of all the members of the lodge.

ARTICLE 10th.

The lodge, on every regular in May and November, shall be lectured by the Master or some other competent brother; on which evenings all other business shall be suspended, except the report of the Treasurer.

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ARTICLE 11th.

Refreshments shall not be had during lodge hours nor after, except on extra occasions; nor then, unless by consent of all members present.

ARTICLE 12th.

To be entitled to the privileges of membership, it shall be necessary to sign these by-laws.

ARTICLE 13th.

No motion for an alteration or amendment of these by-laws shall be made, except in writing, and must lay on the Secretary's table one month before the same shall be acted upon, nor then, without consent of two-thirds of the members present and notification to every resident or attending member.

Some of the foregoing laws now seem very amusing and would hardly meet with the approval of the Grand Master if submitted to him at the present time.

On February 15th the lodge decided to employ Wor. Bro. James Cushman, Grand Lecturer, for two days, to instruct the officers in the work and on March 23rd Bros. Gould Allen and Stephen Beers, of Lafayette Lodge, No. 72, Connecticut, were engaged to lecture for three days, at \$1.50 each per day and board.

On March 13th Ralph Morgan was elected and Wor. Bro. Hedden conferred upon him the degree of entered apprentice mason. Bro. Bruen says that the scene was impressive and the entire ceremony rendered with such spirit and solemnity as to make every person present feel that there was something more in Free Masonry than mere form.

It is unpleasant to be compelled to record the fact that our early brethren were unable to live in harmony with those of their mother lodge, but this work would be incomplete if it failed to show the dark as well as the bright side of our early history. As all of the actors in that eventful drama have long since passed from the scene, and the bitterness of those early years has completely disappeared, no good purpose would be served by omitting a record of the controversies which, for a time, practically severed all fellowship between the two lodges of this city.

The first reference to any difficulty appears in the minutes of a special communication of St. John's Lodge, which was held March 26th, for "the consideration of certain resolutions concerning the

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conduct of the Newark Lodge and for reconsidering the resolution passed in January, last, giving to them the use of this room for Masonic purposes." After considerable debate, the resolutions were ordered to lie over to the next regular communication, which was held March 28th, when,

"On motion, it was unanimously resolved, that the vote of the lodge, on the 10th of January, last, giving the use of St. John's Hall to Newark Lodge, be rescinded for the following reasons:

"That the Newark Lodge, who hold their meetings in St. John's Hall, by tenure of a vote of St. John's Lodge, No. 2, have acted in an ungrateful, unbecoming and unmasonic manner, to wit:

"In asserting they have a right to the property of St. John's Lodge and demanding the use of their Hall as a right and not as a favor;

"In denouncing St. John's Lodge as a class of Masons devoid of honor and respectability;

"In receiving from transient men, who say they are Masons under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, an obligation not only never acknowledged by the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, but our Grand Master did, at the last communication, reject any such measure;

"For refusing to sit with a well known and respectable brother unless he would receive such obligation;

"For refusing admission to two respectable members of St. John's Lodge, one a Past Master, and the other the second officer of said lodge;

"For admitting adjoining members contrary to the express regulations of the Grand Lodge;

"The above resolutions being unanimously adopted, the Secretary was ordered to furnish the Master and Secretary of Newark Lodge with a copy of the charges and resolutions."

One of the foregoing resolutions charged Newark Lodge with "receiving from transient men, who say they are Masons under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, an obligation not only never acknowledged by the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, but our Grand Master did, at the last communication, reject any such measure." If any such matter was brought to the attention of the Grand Master, the proceedings of the Grand Lodge do not disclose it. While we have no knowledge as to the nature of the obligation referred to, it is quite possible that Bros. Allen and Beers, of Con-

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necticut, who had been engaged for the purpose of lecturing or instructing, did confer a side degree. That was a very common practice many years ago and Grand Master Ira Merchant, in 1847, actually offered to confer "two or three ineffable degrees," as will be seen by reference, in this history, to that year.

In connection with the charge of "admitting adjoining members contrary to the express regulations of the Grand Lodge," it may be interesting to know what the minutes of St. John's Lodge disclose in regard to the withdrawal of those of its members who either applied for the dispensation to form Newark Lodge, or who affiliated with it while working under the dispensation. The record is as follows:

James Hedden.....	No record of demit
Thomas Christie.....	No record of demit
William A. Halsey.....	No record of demit
Thomas Whitlock.....	Demit granted March 19, 1808
John B. Carle.....	Demit granted Oct. 22, 1817
Daniel B. Bruen.....	Demit granted Sept. 25, 1822
James Nuttman.....	No record of demit
Andrew Rankin.....	Demit granted Oct. 9, 1822
Matthias Day.....	No record of demit
Japhia Harrison.....	Demit granted Apr. 25, 1821
Elias E. Boudinot.....	Demit granted Jan. 24, 1821
William H. Earl.....	Demit granted Feb. 3, 1827
Jonathan C. Ball.....	Demit granted Feb. 3, 1827
John Ogden.....	Demit granted Aug. 28, 1822
James Hewson.....	Demit granted Feb. 14, 1827
Isaac W. Nuttman.....	Demit granted Feb. 14, 1827
Sidney Condit.....	Demit granted Feb. 14, 1827

In none of these cases, except James Hewson, is there a certificate of discharge on the files of Newark Lodge and it is therefore impossible to say whether or not they were ever issued. Having included the first eleven names in their recommendation to the Grand Master for the dispensation, the charge could not justly apply as to them. This would leave only Bros. Earl and Ball who, at that date, (March 26th) had been admitted as adjoining members, possibly without presenting certificates of discharge, as required by Article 8th of our by-laws and by the regulations of the Grand Lodge. The absence of such certificates, although regularly granted, leads us to infer that there was some ground in law, but none whatever in equity, for the charge.

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The action taken by St. John's Lodge deprived Newark Lodge of a place in which to meet and, in this emergency, Bro. William Stevens offered the use of his parlors until a room could be procured.

At the first meeting held at his residence, on April 12th, James Hewson, Sidney Condit and Isaac W. Nuttman were balloted for and admitted as adjoining members. From our minutes we learn "it was then stated, with regard to these brethren, that the informality of their not presenting discharges, is owing to the refusal of the Secretary of St. John's Lodge, No. 2, to make out the same, though it is well known to this lodge that they are regularly and honorably discharged." Bro. Hewson did present his discharge, but the other two did not. While the contention of Newark Lodge, that the Secretary of St. John's Lodge had refused to issue the discharges was undoubtedly correct, his dereliction did not justify Newark Lodge in violating its own by-law and the law of the Grand Lodge in regard to the admission to membership by affiliation.

At the meeting of April 12th a committee was appointed "to call upon the Grand Master and make to him a statement of our grievances." They performed the duty assigned to them and on April 23rd, the Grand Master visited St. John's Lodge and endeavored to reconcile the differences. The members of that lodge denied that any difficulty existed, it having been settled to *their* entire satisfaction. Thus rebuffed, the Grand Master expressed his opinion in very forcible terms and then withdrew.

Newark Lodge met the same evening (April 23rd) at Bro. Stevens' residence and appointed a committee "to prepare a memorial to the Grand Lodge on the subject of the differences existing between this lodge and St. John's Lodge, No. 2, and to take such measures to inform St. John's Lodge thereof as the regulations of the Grand Lodge may require." The Grand Master was present at this meeting and favored the lodge with an address. At the next meeting, held May 1st, the duties of the memorial committee were "suspended for the present" and a committee was "appointed to provide a suitable room for the future meetings of the lodge and to engage it for such a period of time as they may deem expedient and procure necessary furniture."

On June 19th an invitation to attend the laying of the corner stone of the new Masonic Hall, at Orange, was received from Union Lodge, No. 21, and accepted, and on June 25th the lodge

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attended and the stone was laid by Grand Master Darcy, with appropriate Masonic ceremonies, as appears from his annual address before the Grand Lodge, although Bro. Bruen says that the stone was laid by Wor. Bro. Hedden.

During the month of June, invitations were received from Washington Lodge, No. 41, of Elizabeth; and Bloomfield Lodge, No. 48, of West Bloomfield, to hold our meetings in their rooms. On July 12th thanks were extended to Washington Lodge and it having been determined to accept the invitation of Bloomfield Lodge, the following endorsement was made by the Grand Master on the dispensation granted by him in January:

"Newark Lodge are hereby authorized to hold their regular and extra meetings in the room occupied by Bloomfield Lodge, at West Bloomfield, until the next grand communication.

June 25th, A. L. 5827.

JOHN S. DARCY, G. M."

The lodge met at West Bloomfield on August 7th, September 4th and November 9th, but, even as a temporary expedient, the arrangement proved very unsatisfactory, because the distance to be traveled and the necessarily late hour of return made it inconvenient for the members, many of whom were advanced in years, to attend the communications and rendered it difficult to secure a quorum.

On October 10th, St. John's Lodge adopted a resolution: "That all recommendations from this lodge of the brethren composing Newark Lodge, to the Grand Master and Grand Lodge of New Jersey, be withdrawn," and a committee was "appointed for the purpose of addressing a memorial to the Grand Lodge of New Jersey." The memorial was presented in that lodge on November 4th and "it was resolved that it be accepted after a few objectionable passages were expunged," and on November 8th, "a revised copy of the memorial, addressed to the Grand Lodge, was read and unanimously adopted and, on motion, it was resolved, after being attested, to be presented to the Grand Lodge."

The memorial above mentioned is undoubtedly the same document referred to on page 249 of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge as a "remonstrance containing certain specifications and charges." The text does not appear in the proceedings and the Grand Secretary reported that the original was not on the files of the Grand Lodge.

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As the dispensation granted by Grand Master Darcy was about to expire by limitation, the following petition for a warrant was prepared for presentation to the Grand Lodge:

“To the Worshipful Grand Master, Wardens and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of the State of New Jersey:

“The petition of the subscribers, Master and Wardens of Newark Lodge, respectfully sheweth, that we have, by dispensation granted unto us by John S. Darcy, Esq., Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of New Jersey, by petition recommended to him by St. John’s Lodge, No. 2, Newark, which petition is now in the hands of the Worshipful Grand Master, been holding a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons under your jurisdiction; that we have entered, passed and raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason, a number of brethren, by the authority of the aforesaid dispensation; and that the aforesaid dispensation expiring in the regular grand communication, in the year of our Lord, 1827, and of Masonry, 5827, we pray that a warrant, giving us full power to act as a lodge, may be granted unto us, which, should the petition be granted, we pledge ourselves to keep and observe all the ancient rules and regulations of the order.

Newark, October 24, 1827.

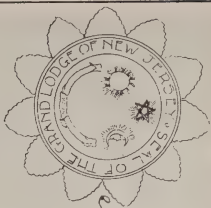
JAMES HEDDEN, W. M.
M. SMITH, S. W.
JAMES BLACK, J. W.
E. E. BOUDINOT,
WM. HALSEY.

“We, the officers of Bloomfield Lodge, No. 48, do recommend the within petition for the consideration of the Grand Lodge.

DANIEL D. BEACH, W. M.
JOSHUA SMITH, S. W.”

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge, at the annual communication held November 13th, contain the following entry:

“A petition was presented by James Hedden and others, all Master Masons, praying that a warrant be granted them to form a new lodge in the town of Newark, in the county of Essex, to be called Newark Lodge, No. 55, which petition was read, as also a remonstrance containing certain specifications and charges, from



Dear Mr. Williams

Evening
Danforth
at 8 o'clock
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Ms. B. 6.

To all whom it may concern.

The Grand Lodge of the County of the most united and honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons (according to the old Constitutional Charter &c.) did meet on the 10th of June 1841 at 7 o'clock in the evening of England in the hall of the Brethren. When introduced and treated as usual in the year of celebration. Their Honorable High Grand and Vice High (as) in complete form of grand lodge of officers in the hall of the County appeared and delivered.

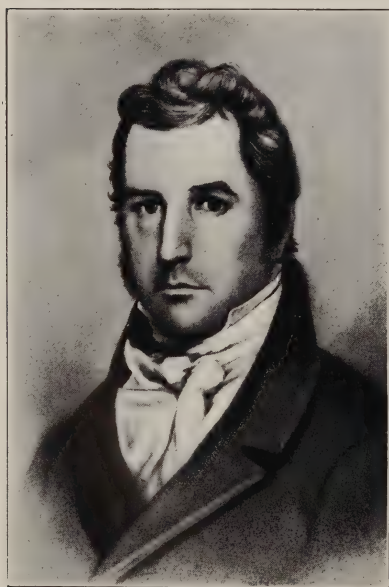
I know you that are the Grand sedge of these Chesny. You truly womanlike, consistent, and elegant in body and well informed
 Dordland and Scotland. I think I know you and I am glad your husband is a sedge of an honest and virtuous
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 extend and make this estate and property in the ancient and honorable freedom of the Royal Knight in the county and district throughout the
 whole of the parish and beyond the present officers, and these Chesny of said sedge should give you to hold with the chambers of the said
 and determine all estates of persons or estates within the limits of the freedom of this manor, strictly requiring every Dordland as a
 lord and sedge to be conformable to all and every the good rules of the same, and also to all the Statutes and Orders of the Right Honorable
 the said Grand sedge of Chesny, which I am to come shall be received and observed, and use do further improve, and improve our said
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St. John's Lodge, No. 2, against granting the same; whereupon, on due investigation and consideration, it was ordered, that a warrant do issue and that James Hedden be the first Master, Moses Smith the first Senior Warden, and James Black the first Junior Warden of said lodge."

(A fac-simile of the warrant, taken from a tracing made by Right Wor. Bro. Blackmore, appears on the preceding page).

The members of Newark Lodge were apprised of the intended remonstrance by St. John's Lodge, and induced Past Master William Halsey, a charter member, to attend the Grand Lodge for the purpose of presenting their cause. It would have been difficult for them to have secured the services of a more able man to represent them in this emergency. The late Justice Bradley, of the United States Supreme Court, said of him: "Mr. Halsey was a man of great force of character and a powerful advocate at the bar, especially in jury cases, and during the active period of life, was engaged in most of the prominent cases, in the northern counties of the State, which required the peculiar tact and eloquence calculated for success with juries." Newark Lodge owes a debt of gratitude to Bro. Halsey for his forcible argument in our behalf, which overcame all opposition and resulted in the lodge securing the warrant, under which authority it now acts.



WILLIAM HALSEY

William Halsey was born near Short Hills, Essex County, New Jersey, in 1770. He was raised January 23, 1793, in St. John's Lodge, No. 2, of which he served as Junior Warden in 1796, as Treasurer in 1797, and as Worshipful Master in 1803, and afterwards demitted to become one of our charter members. He was admitted to the bar of New Jersey in 1794, and, in 1799 married a daughter of Col. James Hedden, the first Master of this lodge. In March, 1836, he was appointed a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Essex

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County, and in April, 1836, was elected the first Mayor of the City of Newark. He died August 16, 1843, in the seventy-third year of his age.

That the members of St. John's Lodge felt chagrined at their defeat, is evidenced by their minutes of November 17th, when "a motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously in the affirmative, that a protest be issued by St. John's Lodge, No. 2, against the measures adopted by the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, concerning the grant of a charter to the Newark Lodge."

At the same communication of the Grand Lodge, Past Master Halsey offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

"Resolved, that a committee of three be appointed to examine into the matters of differences between St. John's Lodge, No. 2, and Newark Lodge, and that they make report to the next annual communication of this Grand Lodge, and that the said committee do also inquire into and report to the Grand Lodge, aforesaid, as to the situation of the right of property, of the room and property claimed by St. John's Lodge, in the town of Newark, and the terms and means by which the same was built, and that the said committee be authorized to require inspection of the minutes and resolutions of St. John's Lodge in relation to the building of said lodge room, and that the expenses of the committee, etc., be mutually paid between St. John's Lodge, No. 2, and the Newark Lodge, and that the remonstrance of St. John's Lodge, No. 2, and all other papers relative thereto, be referred to such committee."

On November 27th, the special dispensation to meet at West Bloomfield having expired by limitation, the lodge met at the residence of William Stevens and "Bro. Boudinot, being one of the representatives of this lodge, by proxy, to the Grand Lodge, reported that we had received a warrant from the Grand Lodge." Our first annual election was then held and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: James Hedden, Worshipful Master; Moses Smith, Senior Warden; James Black, Junior Warden; Ralph Morgan, Treasurer; Isaac W. Nuttman, Secretary; and Jonathan C. Ball, Tyler. There is no record of installation.

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JAMES HEDDEN

member and the first Master of Newark Lodge, serving during the years 1827 and 1828. He died May 18, 1838, in the 83rd year of his age. From the *Advertiser* of May 19, 1838, we learn that during the revolutionary war, Col. James Hedden was actively engaged as adjutant and major of the militia called out in aid of the regular service, and after peace was declared, he served at different periods as member of the Legislature, Sheriff and Judge of the County Court. Few men have discharged their public duties in a manner so unexceptional and none have been more beloved and esteemed for their exemplary virtues in private life.

In spite of the difficulties which beset our brethren while working under dispensation, six were added to their number by affiliation and five were raised, thereby increasing the membership to thirty-three.

On December 29th the lodge met at Brittain's Hotel and the committee appointed to provide a room reported that they had procured the same of James A. Brittain, for any length of time that might be desired, in his hotel. Bro. Bruen says that the lodge met at the Eagle Tavern, and it is quite likely that James A. Brittain was the proprietor. The tavern was located at 366 Broad Street,

James Hedden, the Master elect, who also served in the same capacity under the dispensation, was born in Newark, New Jersey, in 1755. He was raised June 20, 1792, in St. John's Lodge, No. 2, of which he served as Treasurer in 1795, as Secretary in 1796, as Junior Warden in 1797, as Senior Warden in 1798, as Worshipful Master in 1799, as Treasurer in 1801, 1802 and 1803, and as Worshipful Master in 1811. He withdrew from St. John's Lodge, although there is no record of a demit having been granted to him, and became a charter

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opposite Fair (now Lafayette) Street, the second building north of William Street. The following resolution was presented at this communication and unanimously adopted:

“Whereas, in consequence of sundry allegations made by the deputies from St. John’s Lodge to the Grand Lodge, at their last communication, a committee was, by desire of this lodge, appointed by the Grand Lodge to meet at Newark, for the purpose of investigating and determining the differences existing between this lodge and St. John’s Lodge, No. 2;

“Resolved, that brothers William Halsey, Elias E. Boudinot and George W. Campbell be a committee, in behalf of the Newark Lodge, to attend the committee of the Grand Lodge, at Newark, in their investigation of the matters of difference between St. John’s Lodge, No. 2, and the Newark Lodge and the investigation of the facts and terms upon which the third story of the academy and lodge rooms were built, and to offer before the said committees such evidence as the said committee of the Newark Lodge shall consider necessary to refute any charges of St. John’s Lodge, No. 2, against the Newark Lodge, and any evidence which shall be necessary to substantiate any charges on the part of the Newark Lodge against St. John’s Lodge, No. 2, and to present any other evidence in relation to any matter of investigation committed to the said committee of the Grand Lodge.”

On January 1st a committee was appointed “to wait upon the committee from the Grand Lodge and to make all necessary arrangements for their reception and accommodation while in Newark.” Bro. Halsey had evidently made an effort, on his own responsibility, to adjust the difficulty with St. John’s Lodge, and at this meeting, it was “resolved, that the thanks of this lodge be tendered to Bro. William Halsey for his efforts to promote a reconciliation between this lodge and St. John’s Lodge.”

On January 2nd the Grand Lodge committee came to Newark and, at our meeting of January 3rd, as a result of their visit, it was “resolved, that Brothers Halsey, Boudinot and Campbell be a committee appointed to confer with a committee from St. John’s Lodge, No. 2, on the subject of existing differences between the two lodges.” The committee formulated the following proposition which was submitted to the committee from St. John’s Lodge:

“Newark, January 4th. 1828.

“The committee appointed on the part of the Newark Lodge, to confer with a committee of St. John’s Lodge, No. 2, upon the

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subject of the existing differences between them and, if possible, to make an accommodation of the same, sensible of the importance that neighboring lodges, as well as the brethren, should dwell together in unity, under the influence of this principle and in conformity with the sincere desire of the Newark Lodge to restore harmony between St. John's Lodge, No. 2, and the Newark Lodge and their respective members, and hereafter to maintain peace and brotherly affection between them, do, in the exercise of that brotherly affection and charity, and with a disposition which ought ever to be possessed and manifested by all true Masons, and in conformity with the instructions of the Newark Lodge, propose to accommodate all existing differences between the two lodges upon the following terms:

“First: The Newark Lodge, as the junior lodge, on their part and the several members thereof for themselves, respectively, shall make all due and proper acknowledgment to St. John's Lodge, No. 2, for any or all of their acts and declarations which may justly be considered as disrespectful to said lodge, its character and standing, and that the individual members of the Newark Lodge shall severally express their regret for all and every act and declaration which they may have improperly made, to or respecting any individual officer or member of St. John's Lodge, No. 2, either as a man or a Mason, and that a resolution of the Newark Lodge shall be made and entered on the minutes to the foregoing effect, a copy of which shall be duly certified by the Secretary of the Newark Lodge, and be presented to St. John's Lodge, No. 2, thereupon St. John's Lodge, No. 2, shall cause to be entered upon their minutes a similar resolution, embracing the like acknowledgment toward the Newark Lodge and the individual members thereof, and shall cause a copy thereof to be duly certified and delivered to the Newark Lodge.

“Second: That St. John's Lodge, No. 2, do agree to permit Newark Lodge to occupy, for the purpose of their lodge and as often as the said lodge shall find it necessary, either the room now occupied by the Chapter, in the third story of the academy, or the room now occupied by St. John's Lodge, No. 2, provided the Newark Lodge do not interfere with the regular meetings of said Chapter or of St. John's Lodge, No. 2, at the times now established, and that the Newark Lodge do annually, on the 27th of December, pay to St. John's Lodge, No. 2, the sum of twenty dollars for and toward keeping and maintaining in repair the third story of the academy and the rooms now occupied by the Chapter and St. John's Lodge,

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No. 2, and that St. John's Lodge, No. 2, do execute, or cause to be executed, such deed or other instrument in writing to the Newark Lodge, or trustees in their behalf, as will secure to them the use of one of the rooms before mentioned so long as the said rooms shall endure, if the said Newark Lodge shall meet and occupy the same as a lodge, but for no other purpose whatsoever.

"Third: Upon the exchange of the resolutions before mentioned between the respective lodges and the execution of the deed or instrument in writing before mentioned and the delivery thereof to the Newark Lodge, all quarrels, controversies and animosities whatsoever between the said lodges, and the individual members thereof, shall cease, and each shall hereafter endeavor to maintain and cultivate, with the other, peace, good will and harmony and brotherly affection, and strive to maintain in their purity and perfection the true principles of Masonry.

"Fourth: As a contemporaneous act, with the execution and delivery of the deed or instrument in writing before mentioned, the Newark Lodge shall procure from James Hedden and William Halsey a release to St. John's Lodge, No. 2, or to any other person or persons they shall name, for the use of St. John's Lodge, No. 2, all their right, title and interest, either at law or equity, of, in and to the third story of the academy heretofore claimed and occupied by St. John's Lodge, No. 2, and of all and every demand which they or either of them now have, or of right ought to have, of St. John's Lodge, No. 2, and that if John Pintard, Esq., of the City of New York, and Capt. Thomas Bibbie, of the same place, will voluntarily release any claims which they may have, of, in and to the third story of the academy or lodge rooms, the Newark Lodge will procure such release to St. John's Lodge, No. 2.

WM. HALSEY,
E. E. BOUDINOT,
GEO. W. CAMPBELL,
Committee."

The following reply was made to the foregoing proposition:

"The committee appointed by St. John's Lodge, No. 2, to confer with the committee of Newark Lodge, upon the subject of the existing differences between said lodges, have considered the terms proposed to them by the committee of Newark Lodge, and return the following answer:

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“They agree to the first article and are desirous of having the same carried into effect as soon as practicable and in the manner that shall be considered most effectual.

They also agree to the third, upon the exchange of resolutions.

“They reject the second for the present. They also reject the fourth.

“They also submit the following, viz: That Newark Lodge shall strike from the roll of its members all persons who have been admitted, if any, as members of said lodge, contrary to the rules and regulations of the Grand Lodge.

“Upon the foregoing being adopted, St. John’s Lodge, No. 2, will agree with Newark Lodge, that the members of each be received and admitted into their respective lodges upon the same terms as members of adjacent lodges.

“St. John’s Lodge, No. 2, also agree to withdraw the memorial, presented by them to the Grand Lodge, from the consideration of the committee appointed to investigate the same, so far as St. John’s Lodge, No. 2, may be enabled to do the same, and that said committee may report that all differences between the lodges have been amicably accommodated.

“In rejecting the second and fourth proposition of the committee of Newark Lodge, the committee from St. John’s Lodge, No. 2, are persuaded that the peace and harmony of the two lodges can be better preserved, for the present, by their holding their meetings in their different lodge rooms, than they can in the manner proposed by the committee of Newark Lodge.

“They also consider the persons offering to release, as mentioned in the fourth article, as having no interest, either in law or equity, to the third story of the academy, where the lodge room is situated.

January 4th, 5828.

P. ALLING,
E. VAN ARSDALE, JR.,
ASA TORREY,

Committee.”

The following proposition was thereupon submitted by the committee from Newark Lodge in reply to the foregoing:

“The Newark Lodge, by their committee, agree that the Newark Lodge shall strike from the roll of its members all persons who

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have been admitted, if any, members of Newark Lodge contrary to the rules and regulations of the Grand Lodge, provided that nothing in this article shall extend to any of the petitioners for a dispensation to the Grand Master for said Newark Lodge, but only to such persons as have been improperly admitted members of the Newark Lodge since they received a dispensation.

“The committee in behalf of the Newark Lodge do further agree to waive the fourth article and not to release as therein proposed.

“The committee aforesaid do agree that all the differences be reconciled, excepting as to the dispute about the right and use of the lodge room, provided St. John’s Lodge will agree to let Newark Lodge have the use of the lodge room for one year from this date, and they will submit to the Grand Lodge or to a committee appointed by the Grand Lodge or to five Masters of lodges in New Jersey, two to be chosen by St. John’s Lodge, two to be chosen by the Newark Lodge, and the fifth to be determined upon by ballot; the names of five other Masters being put into a box, two by St. John’s Lodge and three by the Newark Lodge, and St. John’s Lodge to draw one of the names thereof, who shall be the fifth man, which five Masters of lodges thus chosen, or a majority of them, shall determine what right or privilege in the third story of the academy and lodge rooms the Newark Lodge ought, upon right or the principles of Masonry, to have and enjoy.

“In case St. John’s Lodge shall agree to let the Newark Lodge have the use of either of the lodge rooms, that St. John’s Lodge shall always have the priority of accommodation on extra nights, they giving notice to the Newark Lodge if they wish to occupy the room for extra business.”

The foregoing proposition was replied to as follows:

“The committee from St. John’s Lodge agree to the first article above mentioned.

“The different propositions and modifications of agreement, by and on the part of the committee of the Newark Lodge, are made subordinate to the final adjustment respecting the right and use of the third story of the academy and lodge rooms, and in case that shall not be agreed upon, all other matters of difference are, for the present, left upon the same footing as before any negotiation.”

In a deed from the Newark Academy to John N. Cumming, Uzal Johnson, James Hedden, Isaac Andruss and Jacob Plum,

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which was dated January 3, 1809, and is recorded in Book V2 at page 279, of the records of Essex County, it is recited that the upper or fourth story of the academy "was built at the sole expense of the members belonging to the society of Free Masons in this town, known by the name of Saint John's Lodge, No. 2, and should belong to them and be appropriated to their exclusive use," and said deed conveys the same "In trust for the use of the said John N. Cumming, Uzal Johnson, James Hedden, Isaac Andruss and Jacob Plum and all such other persons as now are members of Saint John's Lodge, No. 2, Newark, or who hereafter shall become members of said lodge, according to the rites and ceremonies thereof."



OLD ACADEMY BUILDING, WHERE NEWARK LODGE WAS
INSTITUTED.

It is quite evident that there was a misconception as to the terms and conditions upon which such upper story was constructed and conveyance thereof made. It was asserted that it was erected by the Masons of Newark and dedicated to the use of Free Masonry, but there appears to have been no warrant for such an assertion. Had it been a fact, and the action by the members of Newark Lodge indicated that they so considered it, there might have been some justification for their claim to the use, in common with St. John's Lodge, of the property in dispute, in accordance with the precedent

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established in the case of the church property in Newark, which was then a comparatively recent occurrence, in which a somewhat similar question was involved.

The controversy as to the rightful ownership of the church property lasted nearly half a century. The First Presbyterian Church insisted that it was the only legal owner of such property, under the grant made in 1696, from the Lords Proprietors, for the use of the old settlers, but four distinct congregations, which had since then come into existence, claimed equal shares with the parent religious society, basing their claim upon the fact that all of them were descended from a common ancestry, the founders of the town. At a town meeting, held in the year 1761, it was directed that the lands should be equally divided and a committee was appointed to proceed with the work. The plan division, as reported by the committee, was rejected at the next meeting and it was not until after the close of the revolutionary war that the dispute was finally settled by the First Presbyterian Church apportioning shares to the others. While we, today, would undoubtedly ridicule a claim on the part of those withdrawing from a religious or fraternal organization to any right in the property of the body from which they had voluntarily withdrawn, we must not overlook the fact that the best legal minds in the early part of the last century were by no means a unit on the subject, as was evidenced in the settlement of the church question, and it is inconceivable that men of intelligence, including Halsey, Boudinot and Atterbury, who were prominent in the legal profession, would have entered into the controversy in regard to the lodge property, without a belief in the justice of their cause. It is possible that the fact of James Hedden having been one of those to whom the conveyance was made, and the further fact that he never formally withdrew from St. John's Lodge, may have been considered as a pretext for the controversy, although it would have no weight today.

On January 9th, "Bro. E. E. Boudinot, from committee, reported that our differences were amicably adjusted and moved that this lodge ask of St. John's Lodge, No. 2, the use of their room for the ensuing year, therefore, resolved, that a committee of two persons be appointed to request from St. John's Lodge, No. 2, the use of their lodge room for one year, for the purpose of holding the monthly meetings of this lodge, and such extra meetings as may not interfere with any regular or extra meeting of St. John's Lodge, No. 2."

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The minutes of St. John's Lodge, which was then in session, show that "a committee from the Newark Lodge, requesting, as a favor, that St. John's Lodge, No. 2, would let Newark Lodge have the use of St. John's Hall for one year, from the first day of January, 1828, for Masonic purposes; which request was, on motion, unanimously voted to them by St. John's Lodge, reserving, however, to themselves, the refusal of it on all occasions, and, on motion, it was resolved that the Secretary of St. John's Lodge inform the Newark Lodge of the same." The offer of St. John's Lodge was accepted and Newark Lodge continued to hold its meetings in St. John's Hall until 1840.

At the annual communication of the Grand Lodge, held November 11, 1828, the committee appointed under the resolution of Past Master Halsey, reported as follows:

"In accordance with the resolution of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, at their last communication, appointing Bros. Mickle, Miller and myself a committee to investigate the charges exhibited by St. John's Lodge, No. 2, against Newark Lodge, No. 55, I beg leave to state that Bro. Mickle and myself repaired to Newark, on the 2nd day of January last, where we expected Bro. Miller, but owing to some unforeseen occurrence, as we presume, we were not favored with his company. We were politely met by a committee of the brethren of Newark Lodge and, after some time spent in investigating the matters of difference between the lodges, I am happy to state that the brethren of those lodges amicably agreed between themselves to adjust their differences, and that St. John's Lodge offered to Newark Lodge the use of the Masonic Hall, in Newark, which was accepted, and they now occupy the same in harmony, as I have since been informed. The committee therefore deemed it unnecessary to proceed further in their inquiries of the matters submitted to them. Brother Mickle not being present to join me in a formal report, I beg leave to make the above communication for the information of the Grand Lodge.

SAMUEL J. READ."

It is unfortunate that the Grand Lodge committee did not perform the full duty assigned to them. Had they done so, the title of St. John's would, unquestionably, have been confirmed and a cause for vexatious controversy, which was destined, at a later date, to again disturb the peace and harmony of the two lodges, would have been removed. Why that deed from the Academy, made nineteen years previously, was not produced or referred to in any man-

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ner, is a mystery. It is quite possible that it was not on the files of St. John's Lodge. John N. Cumming, to whom it may have been delivered after being recorded, died in 1821, and the fact of a formal conveyance having been made, may have been forgotten. If its existence and contents had been known, it is very singular that it was not produced or referred to, as it would have settled the controversy for all time. There is a possibility that St. John's Lodge may have feared that the precedent established by the division of the church property might operate against them, and therefore deemed it advisable to avoid the investigation, by granting the use of their room. It is inconceivable that they would have yielded, without some acknowledgment from Newark Lodge of their title, had they been absolutely sure of their position.

On April 22nd the following preamble and resolution was presented and adopted: "Whereas, Bros. James Hedden, James Black, John Ward, Thomas Christie, Thomas Whitlock, William Halsey, Matthias Day, Moses Smith and Israel Brown, having for a number of years past been exempted from the payment of dues in the lodges to which they respectively belonged, resolved, that they be declared exempt from the payment of dues in this lodge." This action made them honorary members, and on June 24th "it was unanimously resolved that Bro. Lewis Atterbury be declared to be an honorary member of this lodge, agreeably to the 7th article of the by-laws."

On October 9th the Secretary was directed to invite the Grand Master to attend the next regular meeting and the following reply was received:

"Your polite note of the 15th inst. was received by the first mail. The kind invitation of Newark Lodge is in accordance with the uniform good feeling I have ever received from it as a body and from its members individually. A compliance on my part would be very gratifying to myself. The indisposition of a relative, I fear, will deny me that pleasure, but possibly I may attend. Please to accept, on behalf of yourself and the lodge of which you are a member, assurance of my fraternal esteem.

Fraternally,

JOHN S. DARCY."

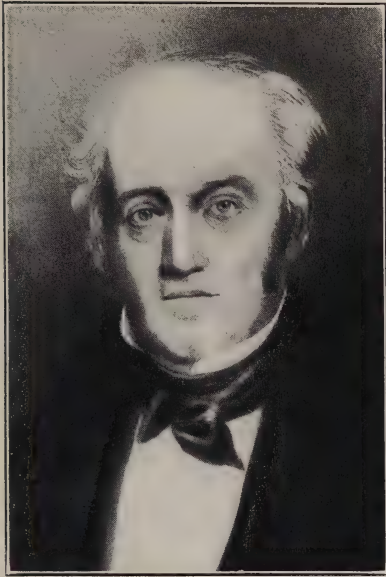
On December 16th "a vote of thanks was tendered to James Hedden, Moses Smith and James Black for their services rendered to this lodge." The second annual election was held the same

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evening and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Lewis Atterbury, Worshipful Master; George W. Campbell, Senior Warden; William H. Earl, Junior Warden; William Johnson, Jr., Treasurer; Isaac W. Nuttman, Secretary; Thomas Agens, Senior Deacon; John R. Crockett, Junior Deacon; Daniel B. Bruen, Master of Ceremonies; George Price, Tyler; and Daniel B. Bruen, Elias E. Boudinot and William Stevens, Standing Committee. There is no record of installation.

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1829



LEWIS ATTERBURY

Lewis Atterbury, our second Master, was born April 2, 1779, at Castle Dongan, in Loughborough, England. He was raised June 19, 1816, in St. John's Lodge, No. 2, of which he served as Junior Warden in 1817 and as Worshipful Master in 1819. He demitted from St. John's Lodge on January 24, 1821, and on June 24, 1828, he united with Newark Lodge and was its Worshipful Master in 1829. He died August 31, 1872, in the 94th year of his age.

On February 19th it was resolved that a Past Master's jewel be presented to Wor. Bro. James Hedden and a committee was appointed to procure it. The jewel was presented to him on May 15th and the presentation address, which was delivered by Wor. Bro. Atterbury, was responded to by the recipient in a very feeling and impressive manner. The simplicity of this jewel, which is



PAST MASTER'S JEWEL PRESENTED TO WOR. BRO. JAMES HEDDEN

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made of silver, and both sides of which are herewith reproduced, is in very marked contrast with the elaborate ones of gold, embellished with precious stones, which, in more recent times, were frequently bestowed upon those who had served as Master of a lodge and had won the esteem of their brethren.

The jewel was returned to the lodge in 1903, accompanied by the following letter:

“50 Wall Street, New York, December 9th, 1903.

“Charles E. Weeks, Esq., Secretary of Newark Lodge, No. 7, F. & A. M.

“Dear Sir—In accordance with your expressed wish, I take great pleasure in handing you the jewel of my great-grandfather, Colonel James Hedden, the first Master of your lodge.

“It is inscribed, ‘Presented by Newark Lodge, No. 55, to W. P. M. James Hedden, as a tribute of esteem for past services,’ and is now returned to the donor to be kept in remembrance of him.

Yours sincerely,

PENNINGTON WHITEHEAD.”

On June 17th it was resolved that St. John’s Day be celebrated in the lodge room and that the services of some brother be procured to deliver an address to Masons only on that occasion.

There is nothing in the minutes to indicate whether the celebration took place.

On December 8th, the third annual election was held and the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: George W. Campbell, Worshipful Master; Daniel B. Bruen, Senior Warden; William H. Earl, Junior Warden; Jonathan C. Ball, Treasurer; William Johnson, Jr., Secretary; Thomas Agens, Senior Deacon; John R. Crockett, Junior Deacon; James Hewson, Master of Ceremonies; George Price, Tyler; and Daniel B. Bruen, John R. Crockett and Elias E. Boudinot, Standing Committee. There is no record of installation.

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1830-1831



GEORGE WASHINGTON CAMPBELL

George Washington Campbell, our third Master, was born February 22, 1798, in Bloomfield, New Jersey. He was raised May 3, 1825, in Bloomfield Lodge, No. 48, from which he demitted February 1, 1827, and became a charter member of Newark Lodge. He served as Junior Master of Ceremonies in 1827, as Senior Warden in 1829, and as Worshipful Master in 1830 and 1831. He died while in office, on September 29, 1831, in the 34th year of his age. *The Sentinel of Freedom*, of October 4, 1831, refers to him as an ingen-

ious and enterprising mechanic, who was frank, manly, generous and consistent in character and soon won the favor and confidence of all with whom he associated. Gifted with natural abilities of a superior order and ambitious to improve them by cultivation, he was invariably an ardent advocate for the advancement of science and the dissemination of knowledge.

On February 2nd the lodge "resolved to unite with St. John's Lodge to celebrate the birth of Washington and a committee was appointed to meet with a committee of St. John's Lodge to carry the same into effect," but on March 9th the committee "reported that the united committees had applied to J. Warren Scott, Deputy Grand Master, to deliver an oration before the brethren, but his answer, declining the service, was delayed until too late to procure another orator, and it was deemed expedient to abandon the intended celebration."

On May 5th it was proposed that this lodge should celebrate the Festival of St. John the Baptist, if the neighboring lodges would unite with us on that occasion. An invitation, however, was received by both Newark and St. John's Lodges from Cincinnati Lodge, No.

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17, to celebrate the day with that lodge, at Whippany, which invitation was accepted at a joint meeting held June 9th. Bro. Bruen says that the celebration took place and was very well attended.

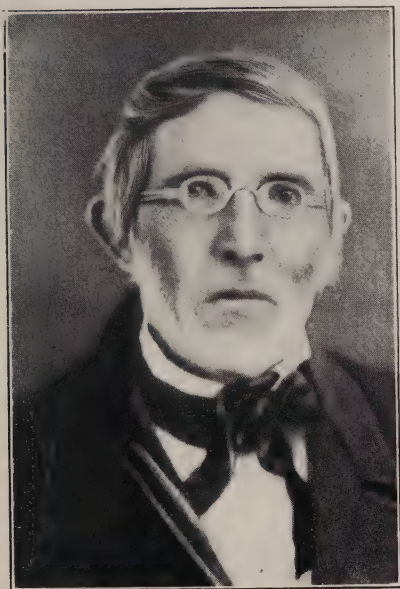
On December 21st the fourth annual election was held and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: George W. Campbell, Worshipful Master; Daniel B. Bruen, Senior Warden; William H. Earl, Junior Warden; Jonathan C. Ball, Treasurer; William Johnson, Jr., Secretary; John R. Crockett, Senior Deacon; Thomas Agens, Junior Deacon; and George Price, Tyler. There is no record of installation.

On March 22nd, 1831, a committee was appointed to attend a meeting of St. John's Lodge, which was to be held the following evening, to confer with them on the propriety of celebrating St. John's Day, on the 24th of June, but no further reference to the matter appears of record.

On September 30th an extra meeting was held, at which the death of Worshipful Master George W. Campbell was announced and it was resolved to attend his funeral, at 10 o'clock, the next morning, with out Masonic clothing, but with the usual badge of mourning. With the feeling that prevailed against the fraternity at that time, it would have been extremely unwise for the lodge to have appeared in public as an organization, as the members would undoubtedly have suffered insult if not actual injury.

On December 13th the fifth annual election was held and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Jonathan C. Ball, Worshipful Master; George S. Pierson, Senior Warden; John R. Crockett, Junior Warden; Hervey Park, Treasurer; William Johnson, Jr., Secretary; and George Price, Tyler. The officers were installed the same evening by Past Master John E. Ruckel.

1832-1833



JONATHAN CRISTY BALL

Jonathan Cristy Ball, our fourth Master, was born January 10, 1785, in Newark, New Jersey. He affiliated with St. John's Lodge, No. 2, on February 26, 1817, but their records do not show when or where he was raised. He served that lodge as Senior Warden in 1820, as Treasurer in 1822 and 1823, and demitted February 3, 1827. He affiliated with Newark Lodge, March 13, 1827, and served as Steward in 1827, as Tyler in 1828, as Treasurer in 1830 and 1831, as Worshipful Master in 1832 and 1833, as Junior Warden in 1837, and as Master of Ceremonies in 1838. In the Grand Lodge of New Jersey he served as Grand Steward from 1832 to 1839 inclusive. He demitted March 26, 1839, being about to move to Ohio, and, on motion, it was "resolved, that the thanks of this lodge be voted to Bro. Ball for his untiring zeal in the cause of Masonry generally and in this lodge in particular, having stood firm and unmoved through evil as well as good report, and, in consideration of the services rendered and the esteem we have for Bro. Ball, it is resolved that this lodge present him with a diploma, and set of Resolutions adopted by this lodge."

Only four meetings were held during this year and no work was done, except the conferring of the fellow craft degree on a single candidate. To one who has made any study of the conditions which prevailed during the anti-Masonic period, the surprising thing is not the fact that the lodge only succeeded in obtaining a quorum four times during the year, but that it was able to hold any meeting whatever. It required considerable fortitude to acknowledge adherence to the institution, and all honor is due to the few indomitable spirits who stood firm and steadfast.

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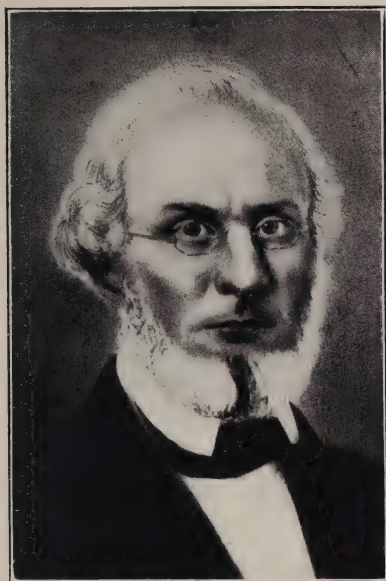
On December 4th the sixth annual election was held and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Jonathan C. Ball, Worshipful Master; John R. Crockett, Senior Warden; William H. Earl, Junior Warden; Hervey Park, Treasurer; and William Johnson, Jr., Secretary; and on January 1st, the officers were installed by P. G. M. Darcy, and I. Ballard was appointed and installed as Tyler, and on January 15th of the next year the following additional officers were appointed: James Hewson, Senior Deacon; Alexander Boyden, Junior Deacon; George S. Pier-son, Master of Ceremonies; and John R. Crockett, Daniel B. Bruen and William H. Earl, Standing Committee.

January 1st, 1833, officers installed by P. G. Master Darcy.

While nine meetings were held this year, the minutes simply show the opening and closing of the lodge; the presentation of two petitions in January, one of which was withdrawn after an unfavorable report and the other petitioner rejected after a favorable report; and the adoption of a resolution, on November 8th, that the lodge be represented by its Worshipful Master, Jonathan C. Ball, at the annual communication of the Grand Lodge.

On December 24th the seventh annual election was held and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: John R. Crockett, Worshipful Master; William H. Earl, Senior Warden; James Hewson, Junior Warden; Hervey Park, Treasurer; William Johnson, Jr., Secretary; and William Baker, Tyler.

1834-1836



JOHN ROBINSON CROCKETT

John Robinson Crockett, our fifth Master, was born February 21, 1802, in Orange, New Jersey. He was raised October 9, 1828, in Newark Lodge. He served as Junior Deacon in 1829 and 1830, as Senior Deacon in 1831, as Junior Warden in 1832, as Senior Warden in 1833, as Worshipful Master in 1834, 1835 and 1836, as Junior Warden in 1838, as Senior Deacon in 1839, and as Senior Warden in 1840. He demitted January 11, 1841. The right of Bro. Crockett to a seat in the Grand Lodge, as a Past Master, under the pro-

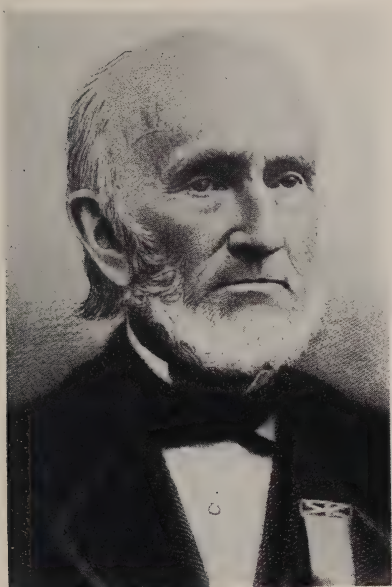
vision of the constitution that only those who had been elected and installed as Master of a subordinate lodge and had presided as such for at least six months, should be deemed Past Masters, was questioned at the annual communication held January 11, 1854. A committee, of which Bro. Daniel B. Bruen was chairman, was appointed to examine into the facts of the case and reported at the next annual communication that the election of Bro. Crockett, on December 24, 1833, as Worshipful Master, is clearly established by the recorded proceedings of Newark Lodge, and that no proceedings of the lodge were recorded from that date until September, 1836; that there is no record of his installation, but the fact is established by the chairman of your committee, who personally called on Past Master John E. Ruckel and invited him to attend Newark Lodge for the purpose of installing the officers, and accompanied him to the lodge and was present and witnessed the installation; and that Bro. Crockett held the office of Worshipful Master for several years and was one of the most efficient and untiring laborers in sustaining Newark Lodge in the darkest days through which it passed. The recommendation of the committee, that the

Grand Lodge confirm Bro. Crockett as a Past Master under its jurisdiction, was adopted.

During these years the Secretary neglected to discharge his duties. The books were in his possession, but he neither attended the meetings nor transcribed the minutes, which, Bro. Bruen says, were written on loose paper and left in his desk where he could obtain them for record. A committee waited upon him and urged him to attend the lodge and perform his duty, and he finally produced the books at a meeting held September 20, 1836, and, in the following December, was continued in office upon promising to discharge his duty faithfully in the future. The loose minutes were, however, lost and there is consequently a blank in our history for the period intervening between December, 1833, and September, 1836, although the proceedings of the Grand Lodge (page 563) show that one meeting was held in the early part of the year 1834 for the purpose of installing the officers elect. Whether the eighth and ninth annual elections went by default is a matter for conjecture, as the records throw no light upon the subject, but it is assumed that the officers were either re-elected or held over during that period. It is hardly necessary to add that the lodge made a serious error in retaining so unfaithful an officer, as the minutes of the year 1837 were also imperfectly kept. It is known, from the report to the Grand Lodge, that there was one addition to our membership in that year, of which no record appears on the minutes, and at the following election, he was very properly retired from office.

On December 20th, the dues of all members were remitted to that date. The tenth annual election was held the same evening and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Daniel B. Bruen, Worshipful Master; William H. Earl, Senior Warden; Jonathan C. Ball, Junior Warden; Hervey Park, Treasurer; William Johnson, Jr., Secretary; Gorham A. Hull, Tyler; John H. Higginson, Senior Deacon; William Thompson, Junior Deacon; Philip S. Van Houten, John R. Crockett and Jonathan C. Ball, Standing Committee. The officers were installed at the communication held December 27th.

1837-1838



DANIEL BROWN BRUEN

Daniel Brown Bruen, our sixth Master, was born December 25, 1795, in Newark, New Jersey. He was raised August 27, 1817, in St. John's Lodge, No. 2, of which he served as Junior Deacon in 1818 and as Secretary in 1821. He demitted from St. John's Lodge September 25, 1822, and became a charter member of Newark Lodge. He served as Senior Master of Ceremonies in 1827 and 1829, as Senior Warden in 1830 and 1831, and as Worshipful Master in 1837 and 1838. In the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, Bro. Bruen served as Senior Grand Warden in 1838 and 1839, as Deputy Grand Master in 1840 and 1841, as Grand Master in 1842, 1843 and 1844, and as Deputy Grand Secretary in 1847. In early life Bro. Bruen manifested a desire for a sea-faring life, but after one voyage gave up the idea and was apprenticed to a shoemaker. He was employed for two or three years in a mercantile house at Augusta, Georgia, and upon his return to Newark, engaged in the manufacture of boots and shoes. He was the prime mover in the formation of this lodge and took an active part in its affairs for over fifty years. He died March 3, 1880, in the 85th year of his age and was buried with Masonic honors by the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

There is nothing whatever in the minutes of this year of a special nature, but the fact that eight meetings were held and four candidates raised, indicates that Free Masonry was slowly recovering from the effects of the anti-Masonic excitement.

On December 5th the eleventh annual election was held and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Daniel B. Bruen, Worshipful Master; William H. Earl, Senior Warden; John R. Crockett, Junior Warden; Hervey Park, Treas-

urer; Philip S. Van Houten, Secretary; John H. Higginson, Senior Deacon; William Thompson, Junior Deacon; Jonathan C. Ball, Master of Ceremonies; B. Jarvis, Tyler; and Hervey Park, John H. Higginson and Philip S. Van Houten, Standing Committee. There is no record of installation.



FIRST SEAL

On June 5th "a bill was presented by James Bishop for engraving a seal, whereupon the bill was ordered paid," and an entry in the minutes of a subsequent meeting shows that the bill amounted to four dollars. The only previous reference to a seal is in the fourth paragraph of Article 3rd of the by-laws adopted on the night the lodge was instituted, wherein it says that the Secretary shall be entitled to fifty cents for every certificate to which he may affix the seal. It is improbable, however, that a seal had then been adopted and it is very questionable whether one had been procured previous to this date. This is simply a hand seal and the only way an impression could be made was by either using sealing wax or a moistened wafer.

On September 4th, "John Williams, a colored man, having been announced as a visitor, was, after an examination, admitted," but there is nothing to show from whence he hailed. Such an entry, far back in the days of slavery, naturally attracts attention. The fact that a special mention of his visitation was made in the body of the minutes, indicates that it was, at least, an unusual occurrence and it is quite probable that he was the first colored Mason who had ever visited the lodge.

St. John's Lodge, which had lain dormant for five years, having held no meeting since December 27, 1833, resumed work on December 26th of this year, by authority of a resolution adopted by the Grand Lodge at its annual meeting held November 13th. Newark Lodge received and accepted the cordial invitation which was extended to be present at the meeting and partake of their hospitality and a number of our members attended.

On December 25th the twelfth annual election was held and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: William H. Earl, Worshipful Master; George A. Backus, Senior Warden; John H. Higginson, Junior Warden; Hervey Park, Treasurer; James H. Woodruff, Secretary; and B. Jarvis, Tyler. The officers were then duly installed.

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1839-1840



WILLIAM HENRY EARL

William Henry Earl, our seventh Master, was raised August 26, 1818, in St. John's Lodge, No. 2, of which he served as Senior Warden in 1822 and as Treasurer in 1824. He demitted from St. John's Lodge on February 3, 1827, and affiliated March 13, 1827, with Newark Lodge. He served as Junior Warden in 1829, 1830, 1831 and 1833, as Senior Warden in 1834, 1835, 1836, 1837 and 1838, and as Worshipful Master in 1839 and 1840. In the Grand Lodge of New Jersey he served as Junior Grand Deacon in 1834 and 1835, as Junior Grand Warden in 1841, as Senior Grand Warden in 1842 and 1843, as Deputy Grand Master in 1844, and as Grand Master in 1845. He died May 19, 1857, in the 71st year of his age.

On January 22nd the following officers were selected in addition to those chosen at the annual election: John R. Crockett, Senior Deacon; Joseph W. Lees, Junior Deacon; James Hewson, Master of Ceremonies; and George A. Backus, John H. Higginson and Hervey Park, Standing Committee.

On April 23rd Bro. George A. Backus declined to serve on the Standing Committee and Joseph W. Lees was appointed in his place.

In these days when such a cordial welcome is extended visiting brethren, it seems strange to read in the minutes of January 22nd an adopted motion, "that brethren visiting this lodge shall pay dues after visiting once," which was supplemented at the meeting of February 26th by an amendment to the by-laws, "and visiting brethren shall be subject to pay the same dues as regular members, transient visitors excepted." At that time there was undoubtedly a considerable number of Masons not affiliated with any lodge, as a result of the anti-Masonic movement and it is quite possible that this action was intended, primarily, to discourage visitation by them, just as

the Grand Lodge, in 1897, adopted a law actually prohibiting those non-affiliated for more than six months from visiting subordinate lodges, in order to prevent those who were unwilling to assist in sustaining the institution from enjoying its privileges.

On January 29th a committee was appointed to ascertain the cost of a cocked hat for the Worshipful Master but no report appears in the minutes.

On February 19th Josiah M. Crismond, Worshipful Master of Passaic Lodge, No. 13, of Paterson, presided and conferred the Fellow Craft and Master Mason degrees and, on February 26th, it was "resolved that the members of this lodge return their sincere and cordial thanks to the Master, Wardens and brethren of Paterson for their brotherly courtesy and kindness in complying with the request of this lodge to visit and assist us in our work on the evening of the 19th of February; also for their kind and polite invitation to participate in their festivities on the 22nd of February, and the gentlemanly treatment those members received who accepted the invitation."

On September 10th "the Worshipful Master presented a communication from Passaic Lodge stating the decease of their late Worshipful Master Josiah Crismond and requested the members of Newark Lodge to attend, as a body, at his funeral, agreeable to a wish expressed by him prior to his decease" and it was therefore "resolved that this lodge attend the funeral of our deceased brother Josiah Crismond, as a body, provided a sufficient number of members will attend to make a respectable appearance." The minutes of the same meeting show that "the officers and brethren, to the number of eighteen, proceeded to Paterson and assisted in paying the last tribute of respect in consigning his body to the grave."

On December 17th the thirteenth annual election was held and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: William H. Earl, Worshipful Master; John R. Crockett, Senior Warden; John H. Higginson, Junior Warden; Hervey Park, Treasurer; James H. Woodruff, Secretary; William Stevens, Senior Deacon; Bartholomew West, Junior Deacon; and William Stevens, Bartholomew West and John H. Higginson, Standing Committee. The officers were duly installed the same evening.

At a meeting of St. John's Lodge held January 8th, 1840, they

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appointed a committee to confer with Newark Lodge respecting their paying a rent for the use of St. John's Hall," and on January 14th, Newark Lodge appointed a committee to confer with them.

At a meeting of St. John's Lodge, held March 11th, it was "resolved that St. John's Lodge, No. 2, will grant the use of their hall to Newark Lodge, for the purpose of holding their usual meetings, for the sum of twenty-five dollars a year, to be paid half-yearly, provided that Newark Lodge employ the same person for Tyler as shall be employed by St. John's Lodge, No. 2." The foregoing resolution was presented to Newark Lodge at the meeting held March 17th, and was referred to the conference committee which was appointed on January 14th.

Some reply was probably made to the St. John's Lodge resolution of March 11th and at their meeting held April 8th, it was "resolved that St. John's Lodge, No. 2, is aware of no reason why the resolution heretofore unanimously adopted, in relation to the occupancy of their hall by Newark Lodge, should be repealed and annulled."

In reply to the last resolution, Newark Lodge on April 14th offered to pay St. John's Lodge one dollar for each regular and extra meeting and to elect a Tyler, in conjunction with St. John's Lodge, on the nomination of two or more persons by Washington Chapter.

On April 22nd, in reply to the above affair, St. John's Lodge further "resolved that the Secretary pro tem of this lodge furnish Newark Lodge with a copy of the resolution passed in St. John's Lodge, April 8th, 1840, relative to the occupancy of their hall by Newark Lodge, and that St. John's Lodge is unwilling to negotiate further upon the subject, unless it be upon the terms originally proposed by St. John's Lodge."

At a meeting of Newark Lodge held May 12th the proposition of St. John's Lodge was unanimously rejected and a committee was "appointed to procure a suitable place for this lodge to meet in hereafter." That was the last time Newark Lodge ever met in the old academy building, with the exception of one meeting held in the early part of the year 1841, in the chapter room, and St. John's Lodge took care that that should not be repeated, by serving notice to that effect upon Washington Chapter.

At the next meeting, which was held at the residence of William Stevens, on July 4th, the following petition was unanimously adopted and signed by all the brethren present:

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"To the Right Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey:

"Whereas the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of this State granted a warrant to Newark Lodge, No. 55, for holding a lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in Newark, the said warrant bearing date A. L. 5827, and

"Whereas the said lodge has heretofore held their meetings in St. John's Hall, Newark, until their last meeting, and

"Whereas by a resolution of St. John's Lodge they have demanded of us more rent than we are able to pay and also required of us to accept of their Tyler, without any voice on our part, in consequence of which we are deprived of a convenient place to meet in, and

"Whereas our brethren of Clinton, in the adjoining township, have kindly tendered to us the use of their room, built for Masonic purposes and belonging to them,

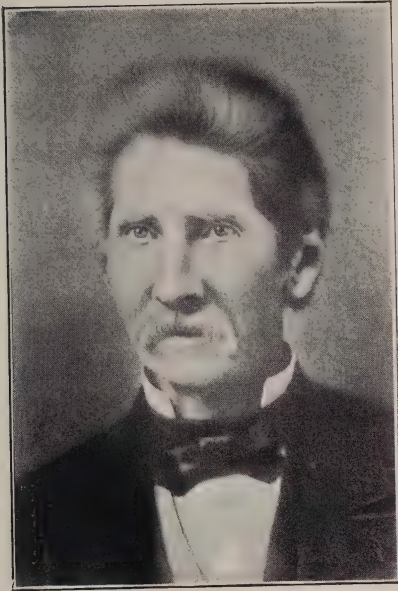
"We, therefore, the Master, Wardens and brethren of Newark Lodge, would beg leave to ask the Worshipful Grand Master of our Grand Lodge, or, in his absense, our Deputy Grand Master, to grant us a dispensation with liberty to meet and open our lodge and work in the above mentioned room in Clinton, and oblige your brethren and obedient servants."

The dispensation was granted by Deputy Grand Master Daniel B. Bruen and the lodge met at Camptown, in Clinton Township, (now Irvington) in September, October and November, but the same difficulty was experienced as in the year 1827 when the meetings were held at Bloomfield, and although the Grand Lodge, at its session of November 10, 1840, extended the dispensation for another year, no further meetings were held there.

At a meeting held December 8th, at the residence of William Stevens, a committee was appointed to procure a suitable room. The fourteenth annual election was held the same evening and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: James Hewson, Worshipful Master; Bartolomew West, Senior Warden; Hervey Park, Junior Warden; John Garside, Treasurer; and James H. Woodruff, Secretary.

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1841-1842



JAMES HEWSON

James Hewson, our eighth Master, was born April 3, 1803, in Philadelphia. He was raised January 13, 1826, in St. John's Lodge, No. 2, from which he demitted February 14, 1827, and affiliated April 12, 1827, with Newark Lodge. He served as Master of Ceremonies in 1830, as Senior Deacon in 1833, as Junior Warden in 1834, 1835 and 1836, as Master of Ceremonies in 1839, and as Worshipful Master in 1841 and 1842. He demitted May 10, 1849.

On January 11th the officers elected on December 8th were installed by Past Master Prudden Alling. No subordinate officers were appointed.

On January 27th the room committee presented the following communication to St. John's Lodge, although no reference to it appears upon our minutes:

"To the Master, Wardens and Brethren of St. John's Lodge, No. 2:

"The undersigned, a committee appointed by Newark Lodge, at their last meeting, to procure a suitable place for the future meetings of said lodge, in the discharge of their duty, do make the following proposition to your body:

1st. That Newark Lodge shall pay to St. John's Lodge for the use of lodge room one dollar for every regular and extra meeting they may hold therein.

"2nd. That Newark Lodge shall waive or yield the room to St. John's Lodge should they both happen to call extra meetings on the same night.

"3rd. That in the exercise of their right to appoint a Tyler, Newark Lodge will appoint no person to that office other than a Royal Arch Mason.

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"4th. That Newark Lodge shall be at no expense in repairing, cleaning or putting the room in order, except at their option.

"In offering the foregoing to your consideration, with, as the committee think, becoming deference to the seniority of St. John's Lodge and the fact that it has the legal title to St. John's Hall, they respectfully demur, however, to any superiority of right in equity, but believing, nevertheless, that an arrangement of this or a similar kind will tend to the more permanent establishment of the harmony so essential to the social intercourse of Masonry and conduce to the peace, the prosperity and glory of the order, we commend it to your serious consideration.

Respectfully signed,

WILLIAM STEVENS,

WILLIAM H. EARL,

JAMES HEWSON,

Committee."

St. John's Lodge made very short work of the matter and directed the Secretary to return the communication to the committee "with a verbal answer that the contents of said communication had previously been acted on."

Only two meetings were held during this year; the first, on January 11th, in the room of Washington Chapter, at which three members took their dimits; and the second, on December 21st, at the residence of Joseph W. Lees, at which the fifteenth annual election was held and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: James Hewson, Worshipful Master; Bartholomew West, Senior Warden; Hervey Park, Junior Warden; John Garside, Treasurer; and James H. Woodruff, Secretary.

On June 21st, 1842, the lodge met at the residence of Joseph W. Lees and the officers chosen at the fifteenth annual election were duly installed by Grand Master Bruen, together with Jeremiah Doyle, Senior Deacon; Thomas P. Gale, Junior Deacon; and William Stevens, Tyler. A committee was appointed the same evening to procure a room.

On October 18th the lodge met at Stewart's Hotel. The room committee made their report, which was accepted and the committee discharged, but the nature of their report does not appear in the minutes. Arrangements were then made with Bro. Stewart for the use of a room in his hotel, which was occupied until the fol-

lowing May. The hotel was located at No. 318 Broad Street, opposite Mechanic Street.

At the annual communication of the Grand Lodge held November 8th, it was "resolved that all subordinate lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, that have lain dormant for three or more years, be stricken from the list of lodges."

"It was further resolved and ordered, that the Grand Secretary re-number the lodges that are working, and that all lodges that may hereafter be restored or warranted, shall take number in the order in which they are restored or warranted."

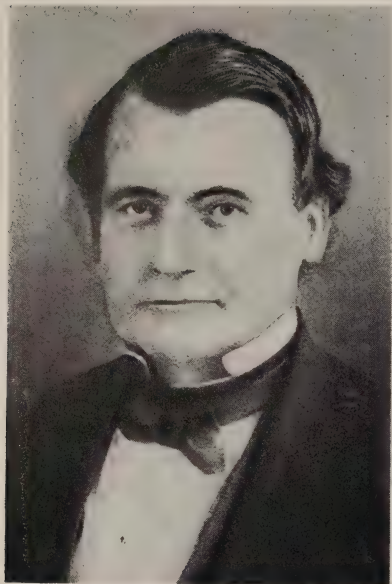
Only eight lodges were working at that time and in re-numbering, they took rank as follows:

- St. John's Lodge, No. 2—Took the No. 1.
- Brearley Lodge, No. 9—Took the No. 2.
- Cincinnati Lodge, No. 17—Took the No. 3.
- Tuckerton Lodge, No. 43—Took the No. 4.
- Trenton Lodge, No. 5—Retained the No. 5.
- Lebanon Lodge, No. 54—Took the No. 6.
- Newark Lodge, No. 55—Took the No. 7.
- Clinton Lodge, No. 56—Took the No. 8.

In the re-numbering, Washington-Shrewsbury Lodge, No. 34, and Franklin Lodge, No. 53, were included as Nos. 9 and 10, respectively, although they were not revived until the annual session of the Grand Lodge in 1843.

On December 20th a communication was received from R. W. Bro. Joseph H. Hough, Assistant Grand Secretary, announcing the death of R. W. Bro. John Mershon, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey. The sixteenth annual election was held the same evening and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Bartholomew West, Worshipful Master; Hervey Park, Senior Warden; Jeremiah Doyle, Junior Warden; John Gar-side, Treasurer; James H. Woodruff, Secretary; and John E. David, Tyler.

1843



BARTHOLOMEW WEST

Bartholomew West, our ninth Master, was born about 1809. He was raised March 26, 1839, in Newark Lodge. He served as Junior Deacon in 1840, as Senior Warden in 1841 and 1842, as Worshipful Master in 1843, as Senior Deacon in 1845, and as Tyler in 1848, 1849 and 1851. In the Grand Lodge of New Jersey he served as Junior Grand Warden in 1844 and as Grand Tyler in 1848 and 1849. He demitted February 14, 1851.

On February 14th the officers chosen at the sixteenth annual election were duly installed by P. G. M. Bruen.

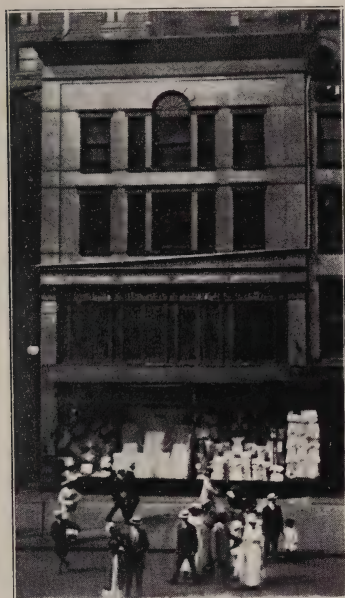
Previous to this date the ballot box, in voting, had been passed to each member, but at this meeting, it was "on motion, resolved that the ballot box hereafter be placed on the altar and every brother go there to vote."

The names of nine Masons, to become adjoining members, were presented at the meeting of February 14th and it was decided to apply to the Grand Master for a dispensation to hold an emergent meeting to act upon the petitions. The dispensation was granted and all were elected at a meeting held February 17th. A committee on room was then appointed to confer with Bro. Stewart in regard to fitting up the room occupied by the lodge in his hotel, with seats for the officers, altar, etc.

On April 17th the room committee reported that "they have found two rooms which will answer the purpose; one in James M. Quimby's building in Broad Street; and the other in a building belonging to Doctor Goble, likewise in Broad Street. The committee were authorized to estimate the cost to fit up a room and likewise empowered to lease one and to fit it up according to their own judgment."

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On April 24th the room committee reported that "they have come to the conclusion that Mr. Quimby's room will not answer and that they cannot get a decided answer from Dr. Goble in regard to his room; also that they have found a room suitable in Market Street, the fourth story over the store of Albert Munn." The com-



mittee were instructed to close the bargain for the room in Market Street and fit it up according to their instructions at our last meeting. The building was located on the northeast corner of Market Street and Wilbur Alley. The room was occupied for the first time without any special ceremony on June 28th and on September 13th the lodge "tendered their thanks to Bro. Ira Merchant for his skill and perseverance in fitting up the room."

On May 24th the lodge took a decided stand on the temperance question and adopted a by-law "that there shall not be introduced into or used in this lodge as refreshments, any spirituous, malt or fermented liquors, when assembled as a lodge."

On July 26th a committee was appointed to procure insurance, to the amount of \$300, on the property of the lodge.

On September 13th, Bartholomew West, Hervey Park and Jeremiah Doyle were, on motion, appointed trustees of the lodge.

On September 21st new by-laws were adopted and a committee appointed to procure a suitable book and have them written therein. If such a book was procured, it is not now in existence.

On November 1st it was "on motion, resolved that an invitation be given to the members of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, to visit Newark Lodge at the regular and extra meetings, and that the Secretary of this lodge send a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of St. John's Lodge."

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On November 27th Bro. West offered his resignation as Worshipful Master, which was accepted, and Bro. Ira Merchant took his seat as Worshipful Master, by permission from the Grand Master.

On December 25th the seventeenth annual election was held and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Ira Merchant, Worshipful Master; John Garside, Senior Warden; Edward Stewart, Junior Warden; John Ogden, Treasurer; Milton Baldwin, Secretary; John E. David, Tyler; and Amos Wilcox, Bartholomew West and Ira Merchant, Standing Committee.

1844



IRA MERCHANT

Ira Merchant, our tenth Master, was born in the year 1803, in Connecticut. He was raised some time between 1826 and 1830 in Lafayette Lodge, No. 49, of Rahway, New Jersey, which was organized in 1824 and became extinct in 1830, the records of which are lost. He affiliated with Newark Lodge, November 19, 1839, and demitted January 11, 1841. He affiliated with St. John's Lodge, No. 2, March 10, 1841, of which he served as Junior Warden in 1842. He demitted from St. John's Lodge December

28, 1842, and on February 17, 1843, again affiliated with Newark Lodge and served as Worshipful Master in 1844. In the Grand Lodge of New Jersey he served as Deputy Grand Master in 1845 and as Grand Master in 1846 and 1847. He again demitted March 25, 1853.

On January 8th the officers chosen at the seventeenth annual election were duly installed by Grand Master Bruen, together with Thomas B. Pierson as Senior Deacon and Joseph L. Alden as Junior Deacon.

On March 4th "the lodge assembled at the usual hour and listened with great attention and satisfaction to an able and interesting address by Past Master David Naar, Esq., of Elizabethtown," and on March 11th "a committee was appointed to draft resolutions expressive of the sense of this lodge of the pleasure and satisfaction received by them from the able and eloquent address delivered by Past Master David Naar on the evening of March 4th."

On April 8th it was "resolved that the thanks of this lodge be respectfully presented to our worthy brother, Past Master David Naar, for his admirable address delivered in this lodge on the evening of March 4th, 1844, A. L. 5844, illustrative of the principles of Masonry, its origin and influence upon social relations and

the obligations and duties imposed upon every member of the fraternity, and that Bro. Naar be furnished with a copy of this resolution."

On October 14th a committee was appointed to investigate and report on the expediency of establishing a benefit system. They presented their report on November 25th and it was accepted and a resolution that a committee be appointed to revise the by-laws conformable with the principles recommended in the report, was laid on the table. In the following January the resolution was taken up and a committee appointed to revise the by-laws; but no further action appears to have been taken. The report was as follows:

"To the Worshipful Master, Officers and Brothers of Newark Lodge, No. 7, of the State of New Jersey:

"The committee appointed by this lodge to take into consideration and report on the propriety of adopting or engrafting on this society a system of benefits or insurance in case of sickness or disability of the members, hereby report:

"That the society of Free and Accepted Masons, as far as they understand the same, was founded and is now extant for the purpose, among other things, of mutual succor and relief; that it has a fund for the legitimate purpose of the institution, to wit, the paying of the expenses of the lodge and granting relief in certain cases which operate as charities merely.

"Your committee are informed that under the rules of the order and usages of Masons, the rules respecting finances and benefits or charities, are fixed and that the funds cannot be appropriated or diverted from the usual channels or the legitimate objects of the lodge. Allowing this to be true, yet they cannot see why a more comprehensive and efficient system of benefits may not be introduced and engrafted on the institution, without, in any way, interfering with or disturbing the ancient landmarks, but entirely compatible therewith, ensuring to the members a certain and decisive benefit which they may claim as a right, to which they can look, in times of sickness or disability, as tangible and efficient, for which they have contributed and which cannot, in justice, be denied.

"The committee have examined a copy of the by-laws of one of the lodges in the City of New York, in which the benefit system has been adopted and approved, from which it appears that that lodge has only two funds, to wit, the contingent fund and the widow and orphan fund; the former constituted by the initiation fees,

registry fees and five dollars per annum dues; the latter by one dollar per annum dues, payable quarterly, which are appropriated as follows, viz., three dollars per week to sick or disabled brothers and thirty dollars to the family of a deceased brother which is unable to perform the funeral obsequies to his remains with the propriety and solemnity due to the remains of a worthy Mason. No other mention is made of the mode of appropriation to other objects, except that the widow and orphan fund shall be held separate from the lodge fund, pledged only for the widows and orphans of deceased brothers.

"Your committee is informed, however, that there is another fund raised by nightly contributions and collected by the circulation of a neat velvet bag, into which every person is required to thrust his hand, the donation, if any, however, is voluntary. This fund is devoted to the relief of the distressed and traveling brother. This arrangement does not meet with the approbation of your committee. They view the practice of handing around the bag and requiring each person in the room, visitors as well as members, to place their hands therein, whether anything be deposited or not, as being but a shield for hypocrisy, savoring too much of pauperism and lacking that dignity of character and high toned independence that should characterize our free and accepted fraternity. By this means it is supposed the funds to meet the rules and usages of the order are raised, that is to say, such rules and usages as respects charities to others, not members of that lodge.

"The committee look upon the present system of charities as very loose and inefficient and would be glad to recommend one more acceptable and certain, but unless the present one can be dispensed with, it will be in vain. Let us look at our position. The dues paid into this lodge, besides the initiation fees, are three dollars per annum, which are appropriated in defraying the expenses of the lodge and, after that, to indiscriminate charities. Thus far the repository of our funds may aptly be compared to an inverted funnel, having a small aperture at the top for the entrance, but a most capacious opening below for the exit. It is doubted whether, with all the refreshing we have lately received from the genius of Masonry, there remains anything in the treasury, and if the laws now regulating our finances are permanent and, like the laws of the Medes and Persians, unalterable, it is feared our treasury will ever

present the same lean, lank and hungry appearance and the office of Treasurer be a mere name, without a duty. Under this system, what can the committee suggest to facilitate the object of the resolution under which they act? Can they recommend the imposition of additional dues, say three dollars, (for over that would prove onerous) for the purpose of creating a fund, two of which shall constitute a general fund for relief of sickness or disability and the third for the widow and orphan? With this to erect a fund, what sum per week can the lodge afford to give, consistent with safety and perpetuity? The answer is obvious—the benefit available from that source will be nominal—merely nothing to stay the wreck of nature. It presents nothing to recommend it to the serious consideration of the lodge.

“Your committee are not satisfied that the laws now extant, respecting the finances of any particular lodge, are permanent, inflexible and subject to no change. They believe they can be changed, for Section 13 of the general regulations of the Grand Lodge of this State declares that every lodge has an inherent right to make laws and regulations for their own government and concerns, provided, always, that such laws and regulations are conformable to the principles of the order and usages of Masons and the laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge. The word ‘concerns’ is a general term in this section and applies to finances and charities as well as any other object.

“The laws and regulations as laid down in the book published as The Constitution, By-laws and General Regulations of the Grand Lodge of this State, prescribes no form or rule nor gives any direction to lodges as to how they shall manage their fiscal concerns or distribute their charities. The by-laws of this lodge are provokingly silent upon this subject, neither do the forms, ceremonies or obligations, as far as your committee have ever seen or heard, prescribe any to lodges as lodges, for the latter are absolutely, unqualifiedly and entirely personal in their application and have no reference to Masons in their congregated capacity.

“Your committee are aware that they are young in the order and see many things transacted, unaccountable, and for which they ask authority, but which they are informed are sanctioned by the order and usages of Masons. In their infancy, they are willing to trust in the wisdom and extended experience of their fathers, until

time and age shall unfold the mystery, yet that trust is founded in faith that all things are amenable to the rules of sound sense and unbiased reason, and therefore judge that if an object be obtained, it matters little (all things being rightly considered) whether we seek it through the, to us, unanswerable mysteries or a full orb'd light from the temple.

“Under this view of the subject, your committee see no reason why this lodge may not alter the present system of finance and benefits and adopt one on the insurance principle. By the latter we are by no means limited in the charities, which, as Masons, we are obligated to bestow. We can dispense good as before, both collectively and individually, but your committee believe it will be attended with this one good effect, it will cause the lodge to be more careful in the distribution of its funds and to look more at the worthiness of the recipient than it now does. To explain the meaning of the committee will take longer than they have time to bestow, but which will not be omitted, should the chairman be present, when the matter comes up for consideration.

“Your committee are acquainted with institutions where the insurance system of benefits are in operation and believe that charities to brothers without the society are as familiar and frequent with them as in this and in them, they believe the principle to be the same as here. If there is any difference, it is among the *res-incognitae*. The system proposed is supposed to be familiar to all. By it a fund, if properly managed, is soon created, which is under the control of the lodge and subject to appropriation as may seem proper, but it has certain specific objects to which it must be held sacred and which is believed to be perfectly consistent with all rules of charity, namely, the expenses of the lodge, provision for the sickness or disability of bona-fide members, the burial of the dead, and the protection of the widows and orphans of this lodge first of all, for if any provide not for his own, and especially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith and is worse than an infidel, and after that to the stranger and sojourner. No rule of the order or usage of Masonry can be shown to be superior to this or more consistent with equity or justice.

“Your committee urgently recommend that something be done on the subject of finance and benefits, but leave the subject open for discussion in open lodge, where the matter can be more fully

investigated than in a mere report. Hoping that an enlightened policy and sound wisdom may pervade the minds of the members, when the subject shall be reviewed, and something definite adopted, your committee submit this report.

S. S. MORRIS,
WM. L. ROSS,
MILTON BALDWIN."

While the report is a severe arraignment of careless financial methods, it is chiefly interesting as an illustration of a somewhat common misconception that Free Masonry is simply a charitable institution. Although charity is one of the principal tenets of Free Masonry, many persons lose sight of the fact that it consists of far more than the mere giving of alms, which is one of its lowest forms of expression.

The following entry appears in the minutes of November 11th:

"Whereas, George A. Backus did, at the last annual communication of the Grand Lodge of the State of New Jersey, send a communication in which he charges the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, William H. Earl, with intoxication while presiding as Worshipful Master of Newark Lodge, and referred to Brothers Bruen and West as witnesses to sustain the charge, therefore, be it resolved, that a committee of three be appointed to investigate the subject and report to this meeting."

On motion, the resolution was adopted and Bros. S. S. Morris, H. Park and W. B. S. Clark were appointed to constitute the committee to consider the above and report thereon; whereupon the following report was submitted to the lodge, viz.:

"The committee to whom was referred the allegations made in a communication by George A. Backus to the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of New Jersey, that the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, William H. Earl, was intoxicated whilst presiding as Worshipful Master of Newark Lodge, beg leave to report, that they have made diligent inquiry of Bros. Bruen, West and others, in relation to the allegations of George A. Backus, and that they cannot find the least shadow of evidence to sustain his foul, slanderous and calumniating charges; that, on the contrary, the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master has always sustained a fair and unsullied reputation as a Mason and a citizen and would

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recommend that this lodge adopt the following resolution, viz.:

"1st. That the communication of George A. Backus, addressed to the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of this State, is false and slanderous on the individual charged in it;

"2nd. That the charge of intoxication against the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, William H. Earl, whilst presiding as Master of this lodge, is a slander on the lodge, the person of its presiding officer, and a stigma on his personal character which this lodge feels bound to repeal;

"3rd. That the lodge instruct the Standing Committee to prefer charges against George A. Backus in this lodge;

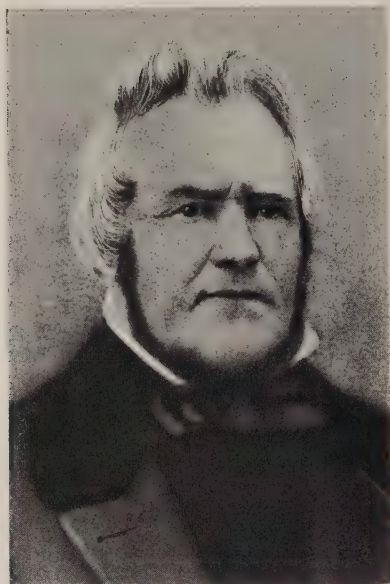
"4th. Resolved, that a certified copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions be sent to the Grand Lodge, at its next annual communication.

STAATS S. MORRIS,
WM. S. B. CLARK,
HERVEY PARK,
Committee."

On motion, the report was received and its resolutions were adopted and the Secretary directed to transmit a copy thereof to the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge. This was done and it appears in full in the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, on pages 349 and 350.

The eighteenth annual election was held December 23rd and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: John Garside, Worshipful Master; Edward Stewart, Senior Warden; Isaac W. Nuttman, Secretary; John E. David, Tyler; and John Garside, Edward Stewart and Milton Baldwin, Standing Committee. The officers were installed on December 27th, also Bartholomew West, Senior Deacon; and Asa M. Phillips, Junior Deacon.

1845



JOHN GARSIDE

John Garside, our eleventh Master, was born March 17, 1803, in England. He was raised February 19, 1839, in Newark Lodge. He served as Treasurer in 1841, 1842 and 1843, as Senior Warden in 1844, and as Worshipful Master in 1845. In the Grand Lodge of New Jersey he served as Junior Grand Warden in 1847, as Senior Grand Warden in 1848, and as Deputy Grand Master in 1850. He demitted April 16, 1852, and became a charter member of Northern Lodge, No. 25.

On January 16th the following resolution was presented by Bro. Staats S. Morris and adopted:

"Resolved, that each member of this lodge be and he is hereby appointed a special committee to take into consideration and suggest to the lodge such measures as may be of interest and advantage to the institution of Masonry and this lodge in particular; to use all competent legal endeavors to place the same on a permanent basis, and to confer with all Masons in this city and precincts, not now in regular membership, who in their opinion, will do honor and credit to the institution, and solicit their co-operation by reuniting themselves with some lodge for the furtherance of this object." The latter part of this resolution probably had special reference to those who had dropped out of their lodges under the pressure of anti-Masonry.

On November 24th a committee was appointed for the purpose of procuring another room for the use of the lodge. The above action was probably taken in consequence of the owner of the prop-

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erty in which the lodge room was located, raising the rental from \$7.50 per quarter, the amount that the lodge had been paying, to \$8.33 per quarter.

The nineteenth annual election was held December 22nd and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Edward Stewart, Worshipful Master; Milton Baldwin, Senior Warden; Joseph L. Alden, Junior Warden; Edward T. Hillyer, Treasurer; Stephen K. Ford, Secretary; and Edward Stewart, Milton Baldwin and Joseph L. Alden, Standing Committee.

1846



EDWARD STEWART

Edward Stewart, our twelfth Master, was born April 27, 1799, in Sussex County, New Jersey. He was raised May 11, 1842, in St. John's Lodge, No. 1, from which he demitted November 25, 1842, and affiliated with Newark Lodge February 14, 1843. He served as Junior Warden in 1844, as Senior Warden in 1845, and as Worshipful Master in 1846 and 1847. In the Grand Lodge of New Jersey he served as Grand Steward in 1845 and 1846, as Deputy Grand Master in 1848 and 1849, and as Grand

Master in 1850, 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854 and 1855. He demitted January 11, 1856, and affiliated with Eureka Lodge, No. 39.

The following preamble and resolutions, unanimously adopted by St. John's Lodge, No. 1, of Newark, on January 10, 1852, were ordered to be entered on the minutes of the Grand Lodge, at the annual communication held January 14, 1852:

"Whereas, it is understood that our present esteemed Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of this State, Bro. Edward Stewart, considers it advisable to decline a re-election to the office which he has so long and faithfully filled, therefore St. John's Lodge, No. 1, deem it not only fitting, but just, to mark their sense of his services in a distinct and emphatic manner, provided such is his determination.

"Resolved, that St. John's Lodge, No. 1, have heard with regret a report of the intended retirement of the present Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge.

"Resolved, that his course, while presiding over the entire Masonic fraternity of New Jersey, has been so conciliatory, tending to prevent and heal breaches; so conservative, restoring and keeping up the ancient usages of our craft; and so zealous and successful in increasing the popularity and influence of Masonry in the community, as to merit our most unqualified approbation and our heartiest thanks.

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“Resolved, that in retiring from office he leaves behind him a happy memory and bears with him the best wishes of this lodge for his future prosperity and felicity.

“Resolved, that St. John’s Lodge, No. 1, of the city of Newark, would respectfully request the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of New Jersey to reaffirm and enter the above resolutions and preamble upon the books of the Grand Lodge.”

It is quite evident that these resolutions expressed the sentiment of the entire jurisdiction, because Bro. Stewart was continued in office, and upon declining a renomination after six consecutive years of service, the following resolution was adopted by the Grand Lodge at the annual communication held January 9, 1856:

“Resolved, that the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to Most Worshipful Brother Edward Stewart, for his fidelity, perseverance and unwearied exertions in the performance of the arduous duties pertaining to the office of Grand Master.”

The officers chosen at the nineteenth annual election were duly installed on the evening of January 12th.

On February 9th the room committee reported that St. John’s Hall could not be obtained and Bro. Stewart was requested to procure a lease of the room then occupied, at the rate of \$100 for three years. As the rental paid for the quarter ending July 1st amounted to \$8.33, the lease was evidently renewed at the rate proposed, but not for the term, as the room was vacated the following year.

On April 13th an invitation to visit the lodge at Morristown was received from the Grand Master, but there is nothing to indicate whether it was accepted.

On August 10th a communication from St. John’s Lodge, No. 1, was read and received and the communication ordered to lay on the table until the next communication. While nothing appears in the minutes to indicate the nature of the communication, the fact that only a few months previously this lodge had again endeavored to secure St. John’s Hall as a place of meeting, indicates that a certain document, bearing upon the subject, which is on the files of Newark Lodge, is the communication referred to. The further fact that Newark Lodge had just renewed its lease of the Market Street room, would account for the communication having been laid on the table and no further reference being made to it. The document is as follows:

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“A PLAN OF UNION, agreed upon between St. John’s Lodge, No. 1, (formerly No. 2) of Newark, and the Newark Lodge, for the more effectually establishing and perpetuating the peace, harmony and tranquility of the Masonic fraternity in this place and extending its benign influence elsewhere:

“Whereas, a number of the brethren of St. John’s Lodge, (then No. 2) of Newark, in the year eighteen hundred and twenty-seven, deemed it expedient to withdraw from their parent lodge and organize a new lodge, by the name of ‘The Newark Lodge,’ which measure was sanctioned and approved of by some of the oldest members of St. John’s and, after investigation by the Grand Lodge, was ratified and a warrant given, bearing date November 13th, 1827, constituting the Newark Lodge, which has been continued to the present time and is in a very flourishing condition and highly honorable to the Masonic fraternity;

“Be it therefore resolved, that St. John’s Lodge extend the olive branch and invite their brethren of the Newark Lodge to participate with them in the use and occupation of their lodge room, viz., the fourth story of the Newark Academy, which room was erected by the liberality of the ancient members of St. John’s Lodge and dedicated, in Masonic form, to the use of Free Masonry, for a lodge;

“2nd. Resolved, that the Newark Lodge acknowledges the title of the said lodge room to be in St. John’s Lodge and agree to pay a nominal quit-rent of ——— dollars per year for the use of the said room, to hold their lodge meetings, during the continuance of this agreement;

“3rd. Resolved, that each lodge shall appoint a committee to arrange and carry out the details of this agreement;

“4th. Resolved, that all the expense of repairs, taxes and assessments, upon the said lodge room, shall be equally borne by the two lodges;

“5th. Resolved, that this plan of union, by a resolution of each lodge, be signed by the Master of the lodge and counter-signed by the Secretary, and entered on the minutes of the lodge, and copies exchanged and filed among the archives of each lodge.”

On December 14th the twentieth annual election was held and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year:

Edward Stewart, Worshipful Master; Milton Baldwin, Senior Warden; Thomas Kirkpatrick, Junior Warden; Edward T. Hillyer, Treasurer; John R. Clark, Secretary; Peter R. Dunham, Tyler; and Edward Stewart, Milton Baldwin and Thomas Kirkpatrick, Standing Committee. "After the election of officers, Bro. Garside called for the reading of the 10th general regulation of the Grand Lodge, relating to the celebration of the nativity of St. John the Evangelist. After the reading, on motion of Bro. Garside, it was resolved, that we celebrate the day as required by the laws of the Grand Lodge, and that we invite the members of neighboring lodges to participate with us, and, on motion of Bro. Hillyer, a committee of six brothers was appointed to make the necessary arrangements to carry out the above resolution."

On December 28th, Grand Master Ira Merchant appeared for the purpose of installing the officers and was accompanied by Past Grand Master Jephtha B. Munn and R. W. Bro. James Herring, Past Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New York. "The Most Worshipful Grand Master stated, that in accordance with a custom not unusual in the order, he would admit persons during installation who are not members of the order, and cautioned all brothers against giving any sign, word or intimation whatever, peculiar to Masonry. Several strangers, not members of the order, were then admitted." The Grand Master then installed the officers who were chosen on December 14th, also Melville T. Hard as Senior Deacon, William Terhune, Jr., as Junior Deacon, and Asa M. Phillips and George W. Clark as Stewards. The following entry appears in the minute book:

"After the lodge was closed, the brethren proceeded to the house of Worshipful Master Edward Stewart, for the purpose of participating in a festival in honor of the nativity of St. John the Evangelist, of which festival the Secretary took no minutes."

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A dispute having arisen between the Worshipful Master and Senior Warden respecting the proper form of opening a fellow crafts lodge, the Grand Master appeared at the meeting of January 25th and informed the Worshipful Master and brethren that the number necessary to form a fellow crafts lodge being five, should consist of Worshipful Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Senior Deacon and Junior Deacon, and that although some say the Treasurer and Secretary, instead of Senior and Junior Deacons, it is not correct.

In consequence of a regulation adopted by the Grand Lodge of New York, in regard to visiting brethren, it was suggested by Grand Master Merchant, as a member of this lodge and not in his official capacity, at the meeting of January 25th, "that Bro. Fitzgerald Tisdale, being a resident in New York, should be appointed by this lodge its representative or agent, to vouch for any brothers of this lodge who may wish to visit lodges in New York, such brethren being duly certified to him as members of this lodge in good standing." A motion to that effect was made, but met with such opposition that it was laid on the table.

On February 8th "Bro. Daniel B. Bruen called the attention of the Worshipful Master to the by-law respecting refreshments in the lodge and gave notice that there were refreshments in the outer room forbidden by the laws of the lodge, to wit, ardent spirits and beer and he requested the Worshipful Master to enforce the by-law on the subject. Bro. Hillyer considered Bro. Bruen out of order, in as much as the ante-room cannot be considered part of the lodge." The question was freely discussed and although Grand Master Merchant, as a member of the lodge, coincided with Bro. Bruen, he made no official ruling on the subject and no action was taken by the lodge.

On September 27th "Bro. Ira Merchant, Most Worshipful Grand Master, gave notice that he would, if assisted by some of the older brethren of the lodge, confer two or three ineffable degrees on any brother Master Masons who would wish to receive them, said degrees to be conferred free of expense," and "it was resolved, unanimously, that the lodge will accept the generous offer of our Most Worshipful Grand Master." A further reference to

the matter appears in the minutes of October 11th and when it came to the question of approving the minutes, objection was made on the ground that "the conferring of extra degrees is a matter over which the Grand Lodge has no jurisdiction and respecting which a subordinate lodge, as such, has no right to take any action whatever," and so much of the minutes as referred to the conferring of extra degrees was ordered stricken out. Whether the Grand Master conferred the degrees or not is therefore an open question.

On December 27th a committee was appointed to confer with St. John's Lodge respecting the use of their room and also directed to notify the owner of the room then occupied that the lodge would vacate on April 1st.

The twenty-first annual election was held December 13th and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Milton Baldwin, Worshipful Master; Thomas Kirkpatrick, Senior Warden; William L. Ross, Junior Warden; Edward T. Hillyer, Treasurer; John R. Clark, Secretary; and Bartholomew West, Tyler. The officers were installed on December 27th, also Melville T. Hard, Senior Deacon, and Lewis B. Baldwin, Junior Deacon.

1848



MILTON BALDWIN

member of Eureka Lodge, No. 39, which was instituted December 31, 1855, under the name of Baldwin Lodge, in honor of him, but at his earnest request, the name was changed on January 7, 1856, to Eureka.

Milton Baldwin, our thirteenth Master, was born October 22, 1821, in Newark, New Jersey. He was raised November 8, 1843, in Newark Lodge. He served as Secretary in 1844, as Junior Warden in 1845, as Senior Warden in 1846 and 1847, as Worshipful Master in 1848, 1849 and 1851, and as Secretary in 1855. In the Grand Lodge of New Jersey he served as Deputy Grand Secretary in 1849, as Junior Grand Warden in 1850, as Deputy Grand Secretary in 1851, 1852 and 1853. He demitted December 28, 1855, and became a charter

On February 14th Past Grand Master Bruen read from a book purporting to be a constitution adopted at a convention, held in Baltimore, September 23, 1847, of representatives from the Grand Lodges of North Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi, Florida, Arkansas and Maryland, for the purpose of considering the propriety of forming a General or Supreme Grand Lodge of the United States. After some discussion, a committee of three was appointed to correspond with other lodges in this State, to ascertain the views of all the lodges on the subject, but no further reference to the matter appears in the minutes.

On the same evening, the committee appointed to confer with St. John's Lodge, reported progress and it was "resolved that full power be granted to the committee to negotiate for St. John's Lodge room or to procure any other room they may think proper."

On February 21st the room committee reported that they could

not procure St. John's room and asked further time, which was granted.

The committee, which was composed of ten delegates, representing the Army Staff, Artillery Corps, St. John's Regimental Lodge, and the Masons of the several military lines of Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland, met at Morristown, February 7th, 1780, and formulated an address, copies of which were sent to the several Provincial Grand Masters, recommending the formation of "one Grand Lodge in America, to preside over and govern all other lodges, of whatsoever degree or denomination, licensed or to be licensed, upon the continent." While the name of George Washington did not appear in the address, it was signified, to those to whom the address was sent, that he was the choice for the office of General Grand Master.

Although the project was approved by some of the Grand Lodges to which the address was sent, its failure is said to have been caused by the disapproval manifested by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

It was revived at a later date and on January 13th, 1790, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania decided that there should be a Grand Master of Masons for the United States and George Washington was unanimously chosen by that body for the office.

A resolution, adopted December 28th, 1789, by the Grand Lodge of Georgia, "that there ought to be a Federal or Supreme Grand Lodge constituted," and "proposing a Masonic convention for that purpose," was laid before the Grand Lodge of New Jersey on July 6th, 1790, whereupon it was

"Resolved, that the constituting of a Federal or Supreme Grand Lodge, to have jurisdiction over the respective Grand and other lodges throughout the continent, as proposed by the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Georgia, is inexpedient and, in the opinion of this Grand Lodge, impracticable."

Our Grand Lodge then adopted a further resolution, favoring a convention of deputies from the several Grand Lodges for the purpose of union and intercourse, conceiving that such a convention would be highly advantageous to the fraternity.

Frequent overtures were subsequently made to establish a General Grand Lodge of the United States, but the fear of the several State Grand Lodges, that the proposed body might undertake to limit their prerogatives or infringe upon their exclusive jur-

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isdiction, caused all such attempts to meet with failure.

At the meeting held February 14th, a committee that had been appointed in the previous December, to notify our landlord that the lodge would vacate its room on April 1st, and also to confer with St. John's Lodge respecting the use of their room, reported progress and it was resolved that full power be granted to the committee to negotiate for St. John's room or to procure any other room they may think proper." At the following meeting they reported that St. John's room could not be procured and asked further time, which was granted.

On February 28th the room committee reported that Union Hall, corner of Broad and New Streets, could be procured at a rental of \$60 per annum, meeting two nights in a month, and \$2.50 for each extra meeting. It must have been a furnished hall, as the lodge held one meeting there on March 2nd, evidently for the purpose of giving the members an opportunity for inspection, as the lodge still had possession of, and continued to use, the Market Street room until the end of that month.

On March 27th the room committee made a further report "that one of the parties to the agreement partially entered into for use of the room on the corner of Broad and New Streets, had objected to the arrangement; and that certain brothers having hired a room at No. 314 Broad Street, over the office of Hayes & Chetwood, and taken steps to erect a chapter, it was thought expedient that the lodge should enter into an arrangement by which this lodge will become a joint owner of the furniture and fixtures of the said room, and also assume its equal proportion of the rent, which is to be \$75 per year. On motion, the report was accepted and the committee continued with full power to make any arrangement necessary to carry out the plan recommended in their report."

As the lease of the room in Market Street expired April 1st, the lodge met in the new room at No. 314 Broad Street on April 10th, although the work of fitting it up had not been completed. The building was located on the west side of Broad Street, about 173 feet south of Market Street.

On April 24th the room committee reported the probable cost of fitting up the room would be \$425 and the Treasurer was instructed to advance our proportion of the cost.

On June 5th the resignation of John R. Clark, as Secretary, was received and accepted.

On the same evening a committee was appointed to make ar-

rangements for a dedication of our lodge room, on the evening of the 22nd inst., and the Worshipful Master was requested to offer the use of the room to the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of New Jersey, for their semi-annual session, to be held in Newark, on the 23rd inst. Probably by reason of the Secretary's resignation, nothing appears in our minutes in regard to the dedication, but Grand Master John P. Lewis, in his address delivered at the annual communication of the Grand Lodge, on January 10, 1849, says:

"By invitation, I visited Newark Lodge, No. 7, on the 22nd of June last and with the assistance of Deputy Grand Master Bro. Edward Stewart, Senior Grand Warden Bro. John Garside, Junior Grand Warden Bro. Thomas A. Sterritt, Past Grand Masters Bros. Daniel B. Bruen and Ira Merchant, and a number of brethren of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, and Washington Lodge, No. 9, did dedicate their new lodge Hall in ancient form. It affords me great pleasure to state that the utmost good feeling and harmony prevailed upon the occasion. The gentlemanly conduct of the officers and brethren of that lodge was such as to inspire me with the highest regard for them. Their room is elegantly and appropriately fitted up; and from what I saw of their work, I am impressed with the belief that it is not surpassed by any lodge in the State."

On August 7th John Stonelake was elected Secretary in place of John R. Clark, who resigned June 5th.

On August 14th a committee was appointed to confer with the chapter and at the meeting held August 21st, they reported that a proposition on behalf of said chapter had been made to them, viz., to rent the room at the yearly sum of \$90. The report was received and the proposition adopted. The room had evidently been leased and furnished by the lodge exclusively, and not in conjunction with the chapter, as proposed in the early part of the year.

On Aug. 28 Bros. Daniel B. Bruen, Edward T. Hillyer and Milton Baldwin were elected Trustees, and on Sept. 25 they reported to the lodge that they had insured furniture and fixtures for \$600.

On December 15th the 22nd annual election was held and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Milton Baldwin, Worshipful Master; Joseph L. Alden, Senior Warden; Edward T. Hillyer, Junior Warden; Simon Searing, Treasurer; John Stonelake, Secretary; Bartholomew West, Tyler; Daniel B. Bruen, Edward T. Hillyer and Milton Baldwin, Trustees; and Milton Baldwin, Joseph L. Alden, Edward T. Hillyer, Simon Searing and Levi H. Sandford, Standing Committee.

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1849

At the meeting held January 5th, the officers chosen at the 22nd annual election were duly installed by Deputy Grand Master Stewart.

An invitation was received on the evening of February 2nd, from St. John's Lodge, to attend their celebration of Washington's Birthday, and the invitation was accepted.

There appears to have been considerable lack of interest in lodge affairs during this year. At the meeting of February 2nd it was "resolved, that in consequence of the non-attendance of the members at the regular meetings, that the Secretary furnish the Tyler with notices and he serve the same for every regular meeting, punctually," and the following entry appears in the minutes of June 8th: "On motion of Past Grand Master Ira Merchant, the following resolution was adopted: that the Worshipful Master be requested to have an interview with our Senior and Junior Wardens and urge upon them the propriety of attending to the regular and extra meetings of this lodge and such other duties as appertain to their office."

At the meeting held April 20th a communication was received from the Grand Master directing the Worshipful Master not to confer any more of the degrees of Masonry, or suffer it to be done, on Bro. Joseph Camfield. The petition of this candidate, whose correct name is "Canfield," was presented on the 16th of February and the entered apprentice degree was conferred upon him April 13th. This matter was brought before the Grand Lodge, at the semi-annual meeting, held May 14th, in the following communication:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of New Jersey:

"Whereas, St. John's Lodge, No. 1, of Free and Accepted Masons, did, on the 10th day of January, 1849, receive a petition signed by Joseph Camfield, praying for initiation into the three degrees of Ancient Free Masonry, and said petition having been taken from the lodge room, without the consent or knowledge of the lodge, by one Francis E. Lindsley, and it having become known to this lodge that said petitioner has applied for admission to Newark Lodge, No. 7, and said Newark Lodge, No. 7, (knowing that the petitioner had presented his petition to St. John's Lodge, No. 1, and their said petition was clandestinely taken from St. John's Lodge) did receive said petition, ballot for and elect said Camfield

a member of said Lodge, No. 7, and conferred the first degree upon him;

“In consideration of the foregoing statements, we, the officers and members of St. John’s Lodge, do feel aggrieved by the act of F. E. Lindsley, and that the Masonic courtesy due from one lodge to another has been violated by the act of Newark Lodge, No. 7, therefore,

“Resolved, that this lodge request the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge to put us in possession of our Masonic rights, and order Newark Lodge, No. 7, to desist from conferring any of the degrees of Ancient Free Masonry upon said Joseph Camfield.

JOHN CLARK, JUN.,

Sec’y St. John’s Lodge, No. 1.

Newark, N. J., May 11th, 1849.”

The Grand Lodge referred the complaint to a committee, with power to call for persons and papers and at the evening session, they presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

“The committee appointed to settle the difficulty between St. John’s Lodge, No. 1, and Newark Lodge, No. 7, after hearing all the testimony on the subject, and mature deliberation, beg leave to report:

“After weighing the subject carefully and deliberately, would recommend this Grand Lodge to request St. John’s Lodge, No. 1, to restore Francis E. Lindsley, upon condition he confess his error. Your committee cannot censure the proceedings of St. John’s Lodge in the above case;

“This committee would also recommend this Grand Lodge to request the Grand Master to withdraw his protest and permit Newark Lodge to proceed in giving Joseph Camfield his degrees;

“Your committee would also recommend St. John’s Lodge, No. 1, and Newark Lodge, No. 7, to exercise more brotherly kindness toward each other. Charity covers a multitude of sins; we beg these brethren for the honor of Masonry, for the sake of Heaven, and their own comfort, henceforth to live as brethren of one family.

EPHRAIM CAMP,
WILLIAM B. WILLIAMS,
T. A. STERRITT.”

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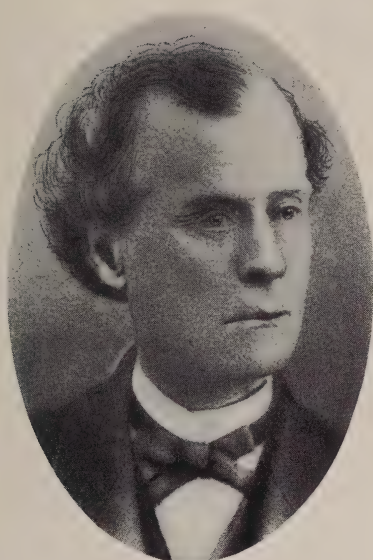
In accordance with the recommendation of the committee, the Grand Master withdrew his protest or interdict, and the remaining degrees were conferred upon the candidate.

At the meeting held October 5th, the lodge recommended to the Grand Master the petition of Bros. James S. Gamble, Joseph Clews, John P. Vanderbilt and others, for a dispensation to open a lodge in Jersey City. This petition was for the purpose of forming Hiram Lodge, No. 17. The recommendation was reconsidered and rescinded on October 19th, as the application was informal, but at the meeting of November 2nd, "Bro. James S. Gamble presented a petition, signed by the following named brothers, to the Grand Master, for a dispensation of warrant to form a lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in Jersey City and requesting this lodge to recommend said petition: W. H. Tallman, to be first W. M.; Joseph Clews, to be first S. W.; William T. Rodgers, to be first J. W.; Isaac Brown, Andrew Clark, A. D. Olmsted, S. Davidson, Isaac Edge, Jr., and James S. Gamble. It was resolved that this lodge recommend to the Grand Master the petition."

At the meeting held November 9th, the by-laws were amended, providing for reference of petitions for membership to a special committee of three. Such reference had previously been made to the Standing Committee, in accordance with Article 3rd of the by-laws adopted on the evening that the lodge was instituted. As that committee had usually been composed of leading officers of the lodge, the action taken might be construed as a protest against and overthrow of centralized power in the hands of a very few. This change in the law, which has ever since been in vogue, had the merit of distributing responsibility, thus enabling a greater number of the members to take an active part in the affairs of the lodge.

The 23rd annual election was held on the evening of December 21st, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: James J. Terhune, Worshipful Master; Joseph L. Alden, Senior Warden; James C. Ogden, Junior Warden; Simon Searing, Treasurer; John Stonelake, Secretary; and George Hall, Tyler. The officers were then installed by Past Grand Master Bruen.

1850



JAMES JOHNSON TERHUNE

James Johnson Terhune, our fourteenth Master, was born November 12, 1812, in Newark, New Jersey. He was raised February 12, 1844, in Newark Lodge. He served as Worshipful Master in 1850 and demitted May 14, 1858, to become a charter member and the first Master of Oriental Lodge, No. 51.

On March 22nd, Bro. John Stonelake tendered his resignation as Secretary, in consequence of his removal to Columbia, South Carolina, which was accepted and a vote of thanks tendered to him for the prompt, faithful and energetic discharge of his duty while Secretary of this lodge; and on June 7th the Worshipful Master appointed Bro. Daniel T. Clark to serve as Secretary for the unexpired term.

The 24th annual election was held on the evening of December 20th and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Milton Baldwin, Worshipful Master; James C. Ogden, Senior Warden; William S. Tay, Junior Warden; Simon Searing, Treasurer; Daniel T. Clark, Secretary; Bartholomew West, Tyler; and Ira Merchant, Milton Baldwin and Daniel B. Bruen, Standing Committee.

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1851

On January 3rd the officers chosen at the 24th annual election were duly installed, and on January 17th Isaac H. Snyder was appointed Senior Deacon and Alfred Eagles, Junior Deacon.

On February 7th the lodge was presented with a rough ashlar and a perfect ashlar by Gabriel Grant, which gift was accompanied by the following letter:

"Newark, N. J., February 7, 1851.

"To W. M. Milton Baldwin:

"Dear Sir—Allow me, through you, to present, with my compliments, to the Newark Lodge, No. 7, the accompanying emblems of your order, the rough and perfect ashlar. I do not expect that they will be received as a present of any value, but that thus, even so humbly, I can show you no better mark of friendship than to evince, by this small token, my appreciation of the principles of your ancient and honorable order.

Your most obedient and humble servant,

GABRIEL GRANT."

These emblems have ever since remained in the lodge room and have always been displayed at the station of the Worshipful Master.

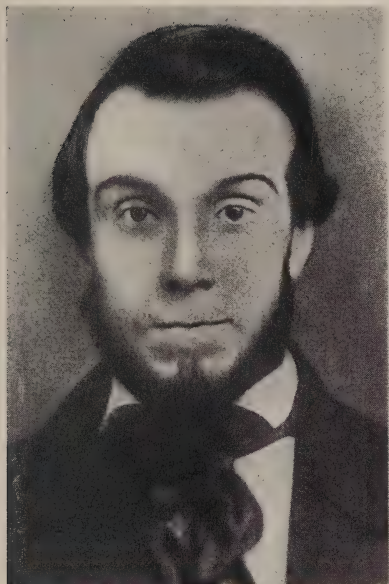
On February 28th a circular was received from the Washington Monument Association and laid on the table. The contents of the circular do not appear in the minutes, but it was probably an appeal for assistance toward erecting the monument.

The following entry appears in the minutes of October 3rd: "An appeal from several German brothers for recommendation to the Most Worshipful Grand Master, for a dispensation to open a lodge, was received and referred to a committee for inquiry." No action seems to have been taken upon the request, and for some unexplained reason the committee was discharged, on October 24th, from further consideration of the subject.

On October 17th, Milton Baldwin, Simon Searing and Daniel T. Clark were appointed as Trustees and were directed to procure insurance of \$600 on the furniture and fixtures of the lodge.

The 25th annual election was held on the evening of December 19th, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: James C. Ogden, Worshipful Master; William S. Tay, Senior Warden; Isaac H. Snyder, Junior Warden; Simon Searing, Treasurer; Daniel T. Clark, Secretary; William C. Eagles, Tyler; and James C. Ogden, Daniel S. Stewart and Milton Baldwin, Standing Committee.

1852



JAMES CAMP OGDEN

James Camp Ogden, our fifteenth Master, was born August 20, 1818, in Newark, New Jersey. He was raised October 9, 1848, in Newark Lodge. He served as Junior Warden in 1850, as Senior Warden in 1851, as Worshipful Master in 1852, 1853 and 1854, and as Senior Deacon in 1855. In the Grand Lodge of New Jersey he served as Senior Grand Deacon in 1853. He died May 1, 1855, in the 37th year of his age.

The officers chosen at the 25th annual election were duly installed at the meeting held January 2nd by Grand Master Stewart. Daniel S. Stewart was appointed Senior Deacon and Lewis B. Baldwin, Junior Deacon, but they do not appear to have been installed, and on March 5th, David S. Plume was appointed and duly installed as Junior Deacon.

On January 9th permission was granted to Diogenes Lodge to occupy the lodge room on Monday evening next.

At the meeting of January 9th the Worshipful Master was authorized to employ Bro. George Hall, as Tyler. Charges were preferred against him on May 14th, for being drunk while on duty, and he immediately applied for a demit, which was refused, and at the meeting held May 21st, he was suspended. In consequence of the vacancy caused by his suspension, the Worshipful Master was authorized, at the meeting held June 4th, to appoint a Tyler for the remainder of the year.

On April 16th, John Garside, Levi H. Sanford, Alexander Eagles, Israel C. Eagles, Nicholas W. Rutan and Dennis W. Morris demitted from the lodge for the purpose of forming Northern Lodge, No. 25, These brethren with Edward T. Hillyer and John R.

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Crockett, who had previously demitted from this lodge, composed the entire charter membership of Northern Lodge.

On May 21st a communication was received from Newark Lodge, No. 97, Ohio, announcing the death of Past Master Jonathan C. Ball, which communication was accompanied by the following resolutions adopted by that lodge:

“Whereas, it has pleased the Almighty and Supreme Ruler of the Universe to take from our midst our worthy and esteemed brother, Jonathan C. Ball, and

“Whereas, the undersigned were appointed a committee to draft resolutions expressing the views and feelings of the members of this lodge, consequent upon the loss of our worthy brother, therefore

“Resolved, that this lodge of fraternal brothers, although bowing with humility and submission to the will of the Supreme Being, cannot but deeply feel afflicted at the loss we have thus sustained.

“Resolved that in Bro. Ball we have ever recognized the true and worthy brother; one who was ever regarded as the pride and ornament of the fraternity, having stood by the principles of Free Masonry through prosperity and adversity, and boldly stood out as a shining light when Masonry was assailed from every quarter and well nigh prostrate.

“Resolved, that we deeply sympathize with the relatives and friends of the deceased in their sad bereavement.

“Resolved, that a certified copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions be, by the Worshipful Master and Secretary of this lodge, transmitted to Newark Lodge, No. 55, in the State of New Jersey, of which our deceased brother was formerly a member.

Newark, Ohio, May 7, A. D. 1852; A. L. 5852.

ABNER W. DENNIS,
HENRY WILSON,
WILLIAM SPENCER,
Committee.”

On July 2nd charges were preferred against William S. Tay for refusing to occupy his station as Senior Warden, when directed by the Worshipful Master, and assist in raising a candidate. He was suspended on August 6th, for five months, but was restored to

membership on September 24th and permitted to resume his office. The report of the committee to whom the charges were referred, contains a maxim that is well worth preserving.

“We do not think it necessary to present any argument to show that it is the duty of every Mason, more especially each officer, to act in obedience to the Worshipful Master and, at all times, to observe order and decorum while the lodge is engaged in the work, and even should we differ with our fellows, we ought never to forget that respect which is due to one another and especially towards those who are presiding over us.”

At a meeting held July 19th, “it was ordered that an invitation be extended, on behalf of the lodges in this city, to all brethren, to unite with the order in the city of New York, in the funeral ceremonies of our late friend and brother, Henry Clay.”

At the meeting of November 26th, “upon motion, it was resolved that the Secretary be instructed to procure a suitable book and enter the by-laws therein, and that each member of the lodge sign the same.” The book was procured, as directed, and was in use until 1876.

The 26th annual election was held December 17th and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: James C. Ogden, Worshipful Master; William S. Tay, Senior Warden; Daniel T. Clark, Junior Warden; Simon Searing, Treasurer; Isaac M. Tucker, Secretary; Aaron Reock, Tyler; and James C. Ogden, Edward Stewart and Milton Baldwin, Standing Committee. The officers were then duly installed by Past Master Milton Baldwin, and the Worshipful Master appointed Sylvester P. Case as Senior Deacon and David S. Plume as Junior Deacon.

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1853

On February 18th an invitation from St. John's Lodge, to participate with them in the celebration of Washington's Birthday, was received and accepted.

On March 25th "a communication was received from Bro. L. A. Sykes, Worshipful Master of Mariner's Lodge, No. 67, of New York, asking permission to receive into said lodge Mr. Horatio T. Hewett, of this city, whereupon the following was adopted:

"Resolved, that though we know of no reason why Mr. Horatio T. Jewell should not become a member of the Masonic fraternity, yet we cannot consent to the initiation in New York of persons residing in this jurisdiction."

The Secretary seems to have been somewhat mixed in the name of the person over whom waiver was desired, having recorded it as both "Hewett" and "Jewell."

On April 22nd it was "resolved that a committee of one be appointed to wait on Bro. Tucker and request him to attend to his duties as Secretary of this lodge or signify to the lodge his inability to do so." The minutes of this year are in very bad condition. In many cases there is no record of the election of candidates or of their taking the several degrees. From the fact that various persons occupied the office of Secretary during the remainder of the year, it is quite evident that Past Master Baldwin, who was appointed, under the above resolution, to wait upon Bro. Tucker, failed in the mission assigned to him.

On May 13th, "a prospectus, signed by Bros. B. W. Kimball and George O. Bartlett, for a Masonic reading and club room, was received and ordered on file." No further action appears to have been taken on this matter, although a motion, "that the members of this lodge have the use of the lodge room, for Masonic purposes, any evening, except lodge nights and Sundays," which was adopted December 30th, may be said to have been closely allied to it.

On December 23rd a committee was appointed to confer with St. John's Lodge and Northern Lodge, in regard to raising the initiation fee.

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The 27th annual election was held December 23rd and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: James C. Ogden, Worshipful Master; Sylvester P. Case, Senior Warden; William R. Todd, Junior Warden; Simon Searing, Treasurer; Carson A. Cox, Secretary; Nathan Condit, Tyler; and James C. Ogden, William S. Tay and Milton Baldwin, Standing Committee. The officers were then installed by Grand Master Stewart. December 30th David S. Plume was appointed as Senior Deacon and James M. Pool as Junior Deacon.

1854

On January 20th a committee was appointed to devise measures to establish a library for the use of the lodge, and they made the following report at the meeting held February 24th:

"To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of Newark Lodge, No. 7, F. & A. M.:

"Your committee appointed to report on the proper mode of establishing a Masonic library to be attached to Newark Lodge, report:

"That they recommend the appropriation of \$50 from the funds of the lodge, as a basis, and that the same be added to by voluntary contributions of the brethren:

"Also that a committee of three be elected by the lodge to superintend the purchase of books and proper arrangement of the same—one of said committee shall act as librarian:

"Also that said committee shall report additions to the by-laws providing for the permanency of said library and the proper government of the same.

(Signed)

MILTON BALDWIN,
S. P. CASE."

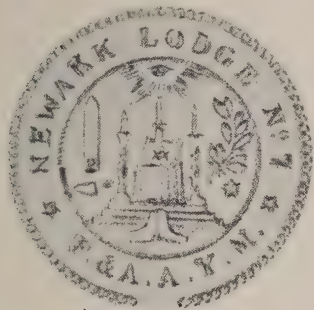
The report of the committee was adopted and at the meeting held April 7th, Milton Baldwin, David S. Plume and Simon Searing were elected as a Library Committee. There is nothing to indicate whether the \$50 was actually placed in the hands of the committee, and it is certain that there are no books, now in possession of the lodge, that could have been purchased by that committee.

On February 3rd a committee was appointed to confer with other lodges in regard to the celebration of Washington's Birthday. They reported, on February 10th, that they had conferred with St. John's Lodge and had invited Bro. Tyng to deliver the oration. The celebration probably took place in St. John's Hall, although there is no mention of it in our minutes.

On March 3rd charges were preferred against William S. Tay for drunkenness, and on April 28th he was admonished in open lodge by Rev. Bro. Asher Moore, and then took his demit. It was this

same brother against whom charges were preferred in 1852 for refusing to perform his duties as Senior Warden.

On March 31st a motion was adopted that a committee of one be appointed to procure a seal, but no appointment appears to have been made. The matter was again presented at the meeting held April 28th and David Dingwell, Secretary pro tem., was instructed to procure a seal. He performed the duty assigned to him and at a subsequent meeting a bill of S. Dodd & Son, of \$17 for lodge seal and press was ordered paid. This seal is still in use and was the second one purchased by the lodge, the first one having been procured in the year 1838.



PRESENT SEAL

On May 26th Milton Baldwin was appointed to act as Secretary for the balance of the year, but the minutes disclose no reason for the appointment, other than the fact that the Secretary had not been attending the meetings.

On September 29th the by-laws were amended to make the initiation fee \$20, instead of \$16, as provided in Article 4th of the by-laws adopted when the lodge was instituted.

On November 10th a picture of George Washington was presented to the lodge by Past Master Milton Baldwin.

On December 1st a committee was appointed to arrange for a celebration of the Festival of St. John the Evangelist. At the next meeting they made their report and "it was resolved that Newark Lodge, No. 7, celebrate the coming anniversary of St. John the Evangelist by having a Masonic supper; and that the officers and members of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, be invited to participate with us on that occasion." The invitation was extended to St. John's Lodge and accepted by them. An extra meeting was held in the evening of St. John's Day, at which there were 115 persons recorded as present, with the significant words "and others," including Past Grand Masters Munn, Darcy and Bruen. Of the names recorded, 60 were members of Newark Lodge, 35 of St.

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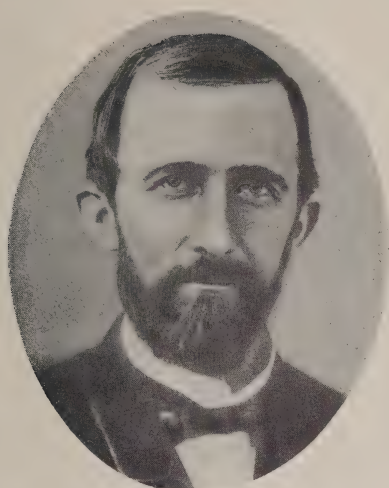
John's Lodge, and 20 from other lodges. The following entry appears in the minutes in regard to the celebration:

"The brethren of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, together with several Grand Officers and some visiting brethren, entered the room and, at half-past eight, a procession was formed and the brethren proceeded to the house of our Most Wor. Bro. Edward Stewart and sat down, at about nine o'clock, to a Masonic supper, in commemoration of the anniversary of our Worthy Patron and Brother, Saint John the Evangelist. After enjoying themselves harmoniously, the brethren returned and at a late hour, (12½ o'clock) the lodge was called to labor and closed in due form." The bill for the supper, amounting to \$150, was presented on the following January 5th and ordered paid.

On December 8th R. W. Bro. Robert Morris, Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, visited the lodge, and by request, delivered the lecture of the Master Mason degree.

The 28th annual election was held December 15th and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: David S. Plume, Worshipful Master; James H. Pool, Senior Warden; Frederick C. Dodd, Junior Warden; Simon Searing, Treasurer; Milton Baldwin, Secretary; Nathan Condit, Tyler; and David S. Plume, Amos H. Searfoss and Milton Baldwin, Standing Committee. The above officers, together with James C. Ogden, Senior Deacon and Lorenzo Stone, Junior Deacon, were duly installed on the evening of December 22nd by Past Master Ogden.

1855



DAVID SCOTT PLUME

David Scott Plume, our sixteenth Master, was raised December 19, 1851, in Newark Lodge. He served as Junior Deacon in 1852 and 1853, as Senior Deacon in 1854 and as Worshipful Master in 1855, 1856 and 1857. In the Grand Lodge of New Jersey he served as Senior Grand Warden in 1858.

Bro. Plume was born August 22, 1829, in New Haven, Connecticut. When his family removed to Newark in 1835, he came with them, and at the age of 15 years, entered the employ of a manufacturer of brass goods, in this city. In 1852 he engaged in the same line of business for himself, having a manufactory in Newark and a store in New York, which brought him in touch with the brass manufacturers of Connecticut. He was thus led to purchase an interest in the Thomas Company, of that State, and in 1866 removed to Thomaston, Connecticut, and took charge of the business of that concern. That company was subsequently merged in the Plume & Atwood Manufacturing Company, in which he held the office of manager and treasurer from its formation. A branch of the business was established in Waterbury, Connecticut, and Bro. Plume removed to that city in 1873, where he continued to reside until his death, which occurred February 19, 1907, when he was in the 78th year of his age.

His name appeared on the directorate of a number of manufacturing, financial and transportation corporations and he was generally active in public affairs. Although not considered a politician, he served as alderman in the City of Waterbury and as a member of the legislature of his native State, and was one of the delegates to the convention that nominated James G. Blaine to the Presidency.

On January 25th it was "resolved that \$35 be placed in the hands of the charity committee to be dispensed for the relief of

the poor of this city, and that the charity committee be instructed to place this sum at the disposal of the committee of the German Soup House."

On January 25th a motion was adopted that Bro. Pilkington be employed to supply the necessary jewels for the officers of the lodge, also one-half dozen plain Past Master's jewels. A bill for Bro. Pilkington, amounting to \$50, was ordered paid on February 23rd, but the minutes do not show for what purpose. It is assumed that the bill was for officers jewels only, although the Past Master's jewels may have been included and taken by those of our Past Masters who did own them.

On February 23rd a resolution was adopted "that this lodge present to Past Master James C. Ogden a Past Master's jewel of not less value than the sum of \$50; also one of like value to Past Master Milton Baldwin, for their faithful services as Worshipful Master," and at a meeting held March 30th "the committee on jewels reported that they have procured the same in as complete manner as possible." It is as we learn from the minutes that "the bill of Baldwin & Co., for Masonic spring lockets, &c., of \$205, was ordered paid." The presentation took place at the meeting held April 5th, with the following address by Past Grand Master Bruen:

"It is a trite proverb of Shakespeare, that 'the web of our life is of a mingled yarn, good and ill together; our virtues would be proud, if our faults whipped them not; and our crimes would despair, if they were not cherished by our virtues.'

"This proverb can be very aptly applied throughout the affairs of life. The circumstances under which man is placed in this world, are not his own choosing. He must be his own helper and cultivate his own nature. No man can do it for him; no institution can do it. He may get another to do his work for him, but not his thinking. A man's best help is his self-reliance in his own heart; his own soul; his own resolute purpose; the battle cannot be fought by proxy. A man's mind may be aroused by another, and his desire to improve and advance himself, excited by another, but he must mould his own actions, quarry his own nature, and form his own character. If he fails in one effort, let him try again. There is something in resolution which has an influence beyond itself, and creates in man that oft condemned element of character,

ambition, which is the great moving cause of action. There is no element in the character of man more laudable, nor which impels him to perform great and meritorious actions, than ambition. It is the greatest degree he possesses, which elevates his character and gives him resolution of purpose to perform great and chivalrous deeds in his country's cause, or stimulates him as a public servant; or, if it is the lesser degree, which unnerves his nature and reduces him to the lowest level of humanity. The desire in the human breast to receive the approbation of those with whom we are brought to act, is the strong incentive to ambitious action, and when disrobed of all selfishness but the approval of our own conscience, in having performed a duty for the benefit of those with whom we are associated, such actions should be acknowledged by some marked token of approbation.

"In the history of all nations, we find that when individuals have distinguished themselves by meritorious acts in the service of their country, they have been honored by public triumphs; the presentations of swords, medals or shown some distinguished mark of respect. To feel that our honest acts are appreciated and acknowledged, is not only an incentive to sustain the character we have gained, but it is a stimulus to those who follow, to reach the goal where distinguished merit elevates itself.

"We have been called together this evening, my brethren, to express not only to the two individuals who are to be honored with the strongest mark of respect in the power of this lodge to bestow, in token of its approbation of the administration of its government by them and in approbation of the high character to which it has been elevated by their laborious efforts, but to return the most sincere thanks of the lodge to those brethren who have stood by them and aided them in their arduous duties. These two brethren are not to be made the recipients of an undeserving compliment, nor was the resolution to honor them obtained by any previous action or consultation; it was responded to by the unanimous vote of the lodge.

"It is thirty-eight years since I was made a Free and Accepted Mason, and during the greater part of the time, I have seldom been absent when my lodge has been opened, and it affords me much pleasure to say that the order has never been in so prosperous a condition as at present, and more especially, this lodge (of which I was the founder) is enjoying a state of prosperity, in its character

and pecuniary affairs, beyond what it ever did, and its prospects are still brightening. I feel gratified, brethren, that in the evening of my Masonic life, I am called upon to perform, perhaps, my last act to be recorded in your books, of expressing in my own feelings, as well as of this lodge, the high respect and regard with which the two distinguished brethren, who are to be honored this evening, are held, not only for their zeal and ability in the administration of the government of this lodge, but for their virtues as citizens.

“To you, Past Master Baldwin, is this lodge greatly indebted. In its darkest days you were always found at your post, not only as a faithful sentinel, but as an efficient leader; and by your duty to them as well understood; and in the high appreciation in which your past services are held by Newark Lodge, No. 7, in their name I present you with this Past Master’s jewel.

To you, Past Master Ogden, it gives me great pleasure to say, that although but a young Mason, your zeal for the institution and your close attention to your duties, from your first learning to pronounce the mystic work, pointed you out for preferment. Although the youngest Mason I have known to be entrusted with the government of a lodge, you have more than fulfilled the expectation of your brethren; and in the high appreciation of your services as Worshipful Master of Newark Lodge, No. 7, I present you with this Past Master’s jewel.

“It gives me great pleasure to have it in my power to say that this lodge has acquitted itself most honorably in complimenting you with tokens of respect which will be grateful to your feelings. You will not find them tinselled toys, which would disgrace and compromise the dignity of the lodge and carry insult to your feelings; no, worshipful brethren, you will find them beautiful, highly wrought and elaborate productions of art, and of that intrinsic value, which makes them worth preserving, and each containing a likeness, correct in line and feature with yourselves, which, I trust, your children’s children will look upon and preserve as testimonials of the estimation in which you were held by your Masonic brethren.

“To the committee, to whom was entrusted the duty of procuring these jewels, is this lodge indebted for the care and attention exercised in its performance.

“To the junior brethren I would say, that the labor of sustaining this lodge in the high character it has attained, devolves upon you.

The forms, ceremonies and ancient landmarks of the order, must be strictly adhered to. The forms and ceremonies alone, are but the shadow, without the substance; the spirit of it must be developed in order to appreciate its beauties. Penetrate beneath the surface of its ceremonies and you get the first ray of light; and the more you examine, the more you will be convinced of the duties you owe to your God, your country, your lodge, yourself and the great family of man, and you will not only become better Masons, better Christians and better citizens, but it will teach you, that in order to gain admittance to that Grand Lodge above, you should never shrink from acknowledging your dependence on God and soliciting from Him those blessings you most need, and which, without asking for, you cannot expect to receive. The counsels of your senior brethren, you can always avail yourselves of, and I trust the purposes for which this meeting was called and the ceremonies of this evening will be held in remembrance and stimulate you to sustain and support the position this lodge now occupies in the Masonic world."

Bro. Baldwin expressed his thanks for the high honor conferred on him, in bestowing so beautiful and magnificent a present as a token of merit for his past services.

Bro. Daniel T. Clark received, as proxy for Past Master Ogden, the jewel and returned thanks in his name and also made a few well-timed remarks respecting the rapid advancement of Masonry in our lodge, while under the charge of Past Master Ogden. (Bro. Ogden was then absent on account of illness, from which he died on the first day of the following month).

A vote of thanks was tendered to Bro. Bruen for his address and to the committee on jewels.

The death of Past Master Ogden was announced at the meeting held May 1st and the following resolutions were adopted:

"Whereas, it has pleased the Supreme Grand Architect of the Universe to remove from our midst our brother and friend, Past Master James C. Ogden; and

"Whereas, by this dispensation of an all-wise Providence, we have been deprived of a dear and valued companion, in whom we have ever beheld one of the brightest and best ornaments of our fraternity; a companion whose name will remain indelibly impressed upon the tablets of our memory; therefore

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“Resolved, that in the death of our esteemed Past Master, this lodge has suffered a loss immeasurably great;

“Resolved, that we deeply sympathize with his widow and family in their sad bereavement and we trust that He who tempers the wind to the shorn lamb and has promised to be a father to the fatherless, will assuage and mitigate that appalling grief which so deeply afflicts the now disconsolate companion of him whom we loved so much in life.

“Resolved, That the foregoing resolutions be engrossed upon our records and a copy sent to the family of our deceased brother.”

The remains of Bro. Ogden were buried with Masonic and military honors, on May 3rd, of which the following record appears in our minutes:

“Preceding the brethren of Newark Lodge, No. 7, were St. John’s Lodge, No. 1, Diogenes Lodge, No. 22, Northern Lodge, No. 25, several members of the Grand Lodge and many sojourning brethren. The Masonic fraternity were escorted to the house of mourning by the military, consisting of Companies A and B of the City Battalion, the field staff and line officers of the Independent Essex Brigade and C. Rubsam’s Brass Band. The procession slowly passed through Broad and Orange Streets to Nesbit Street, where the military and the Masonic fraternity took the Morris and Essex Railroad to Orange, where they were met by Union Lodge, No. 11, and proceeded to Rosedale Cemetery, where the usual service of the Order was read by Worshipful Master David S. Plume. The body was then deposited in the grave and the military then returned by train to Newark, where the several lodges separated and Newark Lodge returned to its room, where the following resolutions were passed:

“That the thanks of Newark Lodge, No. 7, be and are hereby tendered to the marshals of the day for the prompt and efficient manner in which they have discharged their duties:

“That the thanks of Newark Lodge, No. 7, be and are hereby tendered, severally, to the ladies who so kindly volunteered their services and assisted in making the necessary preparations for the funeral obsequies of our lamented friend and brother, James C. Ogden;

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“That the Secretary be instructed to send to them, severally, a copy of the foregoing resolution.”

As the old Academy building had been sold to the United States Government for the erection of a Post Office, the use of our lodge room was granted, on May 25th, to Union Chapter, No. 1, for one evening in each week, at the rate of \$80 per annum; to Diogenes Lodge, No. 22, on June 15th, for two evenings each month, at the rate of \$50 per annum and \$2 for each extra meeting; and to St. John's Lodge, No. 1, on August 3rd, for every Wednesday evening, at the rate of \$2 per night.

On December 21st a petition to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of New Jersey, signed by certain members of this lodge, praying for a dispensation or warrant to form a new lodge, was read and after some debate, a motion was carried to lay over the petition for one week, when it was unanimously approved, and their application for the use of our lodge room was referred to a committee with power to name an evening and the terms. The dispensation or warrant desired, was for the purpose of forming a lodge which was first named “Baldwin Lodge,” in honor of Past Master Baldwin, and the name afterward changed, at his request, to “Eureka Lodge.”

The 29th annual election was held December 21st and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: David S. Plume, Worshipful Master; James M. Pool, Senior Warden; William E. Sturges, Junior Warden; Simon Searing, Treasurer; Theodore Macknet, Secretary; Nathan Condit, Tyler; and James M. Pool, Albert H. Woodruff and Jonathan Fairchild, Standing Committee. The Worshipful Master was then installed by Past Grand Master Bruen and the other officers by Brother Plume. Joseph K. Lewis was appointed Senior Deacon; John C. Speer, Junior Deacon; and Albert H. Woodruff and Jonathan Fairchild, Stewards.

“The Worshipful Master addressed the lodge, in some appropriate remarks, with respect to the Masonic duties resting on the officers and members of the lodge, and also urged a renewed effort, on the part of the fraternity, to promote the general diffusion and advancement of the principles of Masonry.”

1856

The following resolution, which had been offered at a previous meeting and laid over, was taken up and adopted at the meeting held January 4th: "Resolved, that all members of this lodge having been members twenty years and having complied with the by-laws during that time, shall be exempt from paying dues, except Grand Lodge dues; and all members hereafter who shall comply with the by-laws for twenty years, shall be exempt from all dues, except Grand Lodge dues." This law continued in force until 1891, when the Grand Lodge decided that "A by-law of a lodge which provides that any member who shall have paid dues for a specified number of years shall thereafter be exempt from the payment of dues, is void."

On March 28th a committee was appointed in relation to the purchase of a musical instrument for the use of the lodge, and they reported, at the meeting held May 9th, that they had purchased an organ, which was in the lodge room and ready for use, and presented a bill for the same amounting to \$153, which was ordered paid.

On April 11th permission was granted to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge to hold communications in our lodge room at any time they desired to do so.

On June 6th David S. Plume was elected Trustee to fill the vacancy caused by Past Master Baldwin having demitted.

On August 22nd "Worshipful Master Plume, on behalf of the lodge, in a few appropriate remarks, presented to Bro. Simon Searing, Treasurer, a silver pitcher and salver, as a token of esteem from the members of the lodge."

The 30th annual election was held December 26th and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: David S. Plume, Worshipful Master; Oscar J. Valentine, Senior Warden; Thomas Jehu (Pritchard), Junior Warden; Simon Searing, Treasurer; Theodore Macknet, Secretary; Nathan Condit, Tyler; Joseph K. Lewis, Senior Deacon; John C. Speer, Junior Deacon; Rev. James M. Tuttle, Chaplain; James M. Pool and Jonathan Fairchild, Stewards; and Oscar J. Valentine, Jonathan Fairchild and James M. Pool, Standing Committee. The Worshipful Master was then duly installed by Past Grand Master Bruen and the other officers by Wor. Bro. Plume.

1857

A bill of Benjamin Olds, amounting to \$20.13, for books furnished to the lodge in 1827, was ordered paid at the meeting held January 2nd. The presentation and payment of a bill after the lapse of thirty years, is a rather remarkable incident. A new minute book had just been procured by the lodge from the same stationer, and in submitting his bill for it, he probably called attention to the fact that the previous book, obtained from him when the lodge was instituted, had not been paid for. It speaks well for our brethren that they did not repudiate an obligation which had long since been outlawed.

At the meeting held January 30th, Bro. William Rosseter was engaged as organist, at a salary of fifty cents per night; and Worshipful Master Taylor, of Chancellor Walworth Lodge, No. 271, of New York, gave a short lecture on the symbols of Masonry.

At the meeting held February 27th, it was "resolved that this lodge tender an invitation to Rev. Bro. Nathaniel Pettit to deliver a lecture before this lodge, on the Saints John, at such time as will best suit his convenience;" and from the minutes of March 13th we learn that "Rev. Bro. Nathaniel Pettit, of Harmony Lodge, No. 23, of Newton, New Jersey, delivered a very interesting and instructive address on the Saints John and beauties of Masonry in general." A vote of thanks was tendered to him for the address, and at the next meeting, this was supplemented, in a more substantial manner by an appropriation of ten dollars.

The death of Most Worshipful Bro. William H. Earl, Past Master of Newark Lodge and Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, was announced at the meeting held March 22nd and resolutions were adopted, which will be found incorporated in his biography, on a previous page, together with resolutions adopted by the Grand Lodge.

At the meeting held June 5th, "a portion of the new constitution and laws of the Grand Lodge was read, and on motion of Bro. Lewis, the whole was referred to the representatives to the Grand Lodge, with power to act as they may deem proper in relation to the same."

At the meeting held July 31st, "a committee was appointed to inquire into the expediency of procuring another room for the use of the lodge." (See February 5, 1858).

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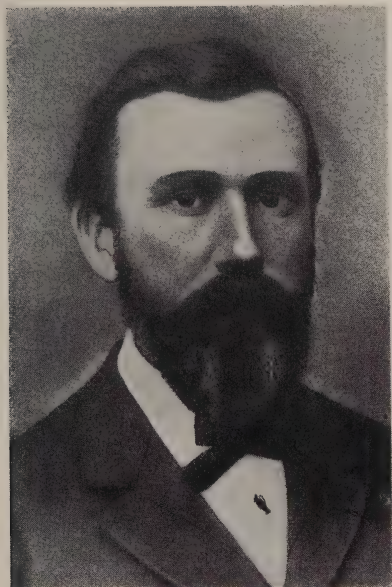
At the meeting held September 11th, "the Secretary was requested to communicate with Bros. Morris and Pettit to inquire upon what terms and at what time they could deliver a course of lectures before this lodge." At this period in our history, Masonry evidently meant opportunity for social pleasure or intellectual advancement, rather than the mere making of Masons.

The 31st annual election was held December 25th and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Oscar J. Valentine, Worshipful Master; Thomas Jehu (Pritchard), Senior Warden; David J. Camfield, Junior Warden; Simon Searing, Treasurer; William Bucklish, Secretary; Nathan Condit, Tyler; and Jonathan Fairchild, Thomas Jehu (Pritchard) and David J. Camfield, Standing Committee. The officers were duly installed December 29th, by Past Grand Master Bruen, and the following subordinate officers were appointed: Joseph K. Lewis, Senior Deacon; Isaac M. Keve, Junior Deacon; and Isaac Champenois and Lawrence Boylan, Stewards.

M. W. Bro. Bruen evidently delivered an historical address in connection with the installation ceremonies, as a resolution was adopted, "that this lodge tender to Past Grand Master Daniel B. Bruen their sincere thanks for the history of the lodge."

A vote of thanks was also tendered to Past Master Plume "for his unremitting attention to his duties as Master for the last three years."

1858



OSCAR JAY VALENTINE

Oscar Jay Valentine, our seventeenth Master, was born April 28, 1822, in Poughkeepsie, New York. He was raised February 10, 1854, in Newark Lodge. He served as Senior Warden in 1857, and as Worshipful Master in 1858, 1859, 1864 and 1865.

He died June 5, 1905, in the 84th year of his age.

The following extract from the annual report of Rt. Wor. William Silas Whitehead, Senior Grand Warden, to the Grand Master, January 13, 1858, will be of interest:

"I cannot speak in too high terms of approbation of Newark Lodge, No. 7. It must always be a source of gratification to every brother, who has the best interests of our institution at heart, to be favored with an opportunity to visit that lodge. Its officers are proficient and accurate in the work, its members punctual in attendance and interested in the labors of the lodge, the materials of its construction are of the best character, and the whole lodge presents a spectacle of an united brotherhood, among whom no contention appears to exist, 'except that noble contention of who can best work and best agree.' I cannot refrain from bearing my official testimony to the excellent character of this lodge."

At the meeting held February 5th, "the committee on procuring a room, made their report and requested to be discharged. On motion, the report was received and the committee discharged with the thanks of the lodge." The nature of their report, however, does not appear of record. A new committee was then appointed, and on making a partial report, at the meeting held April 30th, were given "full power to negotiate with the Directors of the Mechanic's Bank about procuring a room and to confirm the lease for a term of years." They performed the duty assigned to them and reported

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to the lodge, on May 7th, "that they had made arrangements with the Directors of the Mechanic's Bank to lease a room on the third story, for a rent of \$250 a year." The building was then in course of construction and was not completed until the latter part of the following year.

At the meeting held April 9th, "resolutions passed in Corner Stone Lodge, No. 367, March 22nd, relative to the death of F. C. Smalley, were read and, on motion, received and placed on file." No copy appears on the minutes and the original cannot be found. Bro. Smalley was buried by Newark Lodge, on March 23rd, in Greenwood Cemetery, Brooklyn, with the assistance of Corner Stone, Marsh, Hyatt, Progressive and Star of Hope Lodges.

The following resolutions, on the death of Bro. Smalley, were adopted by Newark Lodge:

"Whereas, it has pleased Divine Providence to remove Bro. Fessenden C. Smalley from our midst, while in the spring of his years; and

"Whereas, in his decease, this lodge has sustained the loss of a valuable and worthy member; therefore

"Resolved, that while we bow submissively to the rod which has smitten us, recognizing the admonition as from above, we would testify, in this formal expression, to the worth and usefulness of our brother, and express humbly our regret that he was not permitted to remain among us and fulfill, in a larger measure, the aims and objects of the true man and citizen;

"Resolved, that it mitigates our sorrow, over this loss, to know that our deceased brother died in the triumphs of the Christian faith, and that while mourning that his seat here is empty, we cannot but rejoice that he has found a seat in the circle of the immortals, where the wicked cease their troubling and the weary are at rest;

"Resolved, that we sympathize sincerely with the family of the deceased in their sad bereavement, and our prayer is that God, who tempers the wind to the shorn lambs of his fold, may comfort and sustain the sorrowing ones upon whom this affliction has fallen;

"Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions, properly attested by the officers of the lodge, be transmitted to the wife of our deceased brother."

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Newark Lodge also adopted the following resolutions, expressive of its appreciation of the courtesy extended by the lodges above named:

“Whereas, the officers and members of Corner Stone Lodge, No. 367, of Williamsburgh, during the last illness of Bro. Fessenden C. Smalley, displayed the true principles of Free Masonry, by ministering kindly to all his necessities and soothing, by every possible courtesy which human tenderness can suggest, his entrance into the dark valley; therefore,

“Resolved, by Newark Lodge, No. 7, that we cordially appreciate the actions of our brethren of Williamsburgh and hereby extend to them the assurance of our esteem, counting it a joy that in the loss of one of our number, we have been brought closely into communion with men and brethren who are faithful to their obligations, zealous in good works and ever mindful of the duties which they owe equally to their neighbors and themselves;

“Resolved, that a copy of this preamble and resolution, properly authenticated, be communicated to the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of Corner Stone Lodge, No. 367, Williamsburgh; Marsh Lodge, No. 188; Hyatt Lodge, No. 205; Progressive Lodge, No. 354, and Star of Hope Lodge, No. 410.”

At the meeting held June 4th, “a request was made by Past Master James J. Terhune for a recommendation from this lodge, to the M. W. Grand Master, for a dispensation to organize a new lodge in this city and, on motion, the request was granted.” The dispensation desired, was for the purpose of forming Oriental Lodge. That lodge was instituted June 23rd, and Newark Lodge presented them with part of its furniture, which act of courtesy was duly acknowledged in the following letter and resolution:

“To Newark Lodge, No. 7, F. & A. M.:

“The undersigned, in discharge of their duty, as a committee of Oriental Lodge, U. D., F. & A. M., of the city of Newark, appointed for the purpose, take great pleasure in presenting to Newark Lodge, No. 7, the accompanying preamble and resolutions, expressive of the thanks of Oriental Lodge for the aid so generously bestowed by Newark Lodge. Please accept the same as a testimonial

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of the sentiments of respect and esteem entertained by Oriental Lodge for Newark Lodge.

Yours fraternally,

JAMES J. TERHUNE,
CORRA DRAKE,

Committee.

Newark, N. J., August 12, 1858.

“Whereas, Newark Lodge, No. 7, of the city of Newark, N. J., has presented to Oriental Lodge, under dispensation, certain articles of furniture; therefore

“Resolved, that the thanks of this lodge be tendered to Newark Lodge, No. 7, for the timely and valuable present made by them to this lodge, and that the kind and brotherly act of the members of Newark Lodge will be held in great esteem by the members of this lodge;

“Resolved, that a copy of this preamble and the accompanying resolutions be presented to Newark Lodge and that the Worshipful Master and Secretary of this lodge be charged with this duty.

“Adopted at a regular meeting of Oriental Lodge, U. D., F. & A. M., August 11, A. L. 5858.

CORRA DRAKE, Secretary.”

At the meeting held October 8th, the death of Bro. Edward A. Andrews was announced and the following resolutions were adopted:

“Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God, in His divine arrangement, to remove from our midst Bro. Edward A. Andrews, while in the meridian of human life; and

“Whereas, in the death of our deceased brother, this lodge has sustained a great loss and been deprived of a valuable member; therefore, be it

“Resolved, that while we bow with humble submission to Him who is too good to err and too good to be unkind, and regard it as an admonition, from the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, of our frailty and dependence on Him, we do hereby testify to the worth and usefulness of our deceased brother and regret that he was not permitted to remain among us and fulfill those aims and duties of

the good citizen, the true man and virtuous Mason, of which his intercourse among us gave ample promise;

“Resolved, that it mitigates our sorrow to learn that although in a foreign land, during our deceased brother’s sickness, he was kindly cared for by the Masons at Edinborough, in soothing his way through the dark valley and shadow of death;

“Resolved, that we deeply sympathize with the family of our deceased brother, in their sad bereavement, and our prayer is, that God, who can be a husband to the widow, a father to the fatherless and a friend to the friendless, may comfort and sustain those sorrowing ones upon whom this sad affliction has fallen;

“Resolved, that a copy of this preamble and the resolutions, attested by the proper officers of the lodge, be transmitted to the widow of our deceased brother.”

At the meeting held November 5th, “a communication from the Mount Vernon Association was read and, on motion, ten dollars was appropriated for that object.”

The 32nd annual election was held December 24th and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Oscar J. Valentine, Worshipful Master; Thomas Jehu (Pritchard), Senior Warden; David J. Camfield, Junior Warden; Simon Searing, Treasurer; William Bucklish, Secretary; Nathan Condit, Tyler; Thomas Jehu (Pritchard), David J. Camfield and James M. Pool, Standing Committee; Joseph K. Lewis, Senior Deacon; Isaac M. Keve, Junior Deacon; and James M. Pool and Elisha M. Smith, Stewards. There is no record of the installation of the officers.

1859

The following extract is taken from the annual report of R. W. John R. Chapin, Deputy Grand Master, to the Grand Master, January 12, 1859:

"April 30th, I visited Newark Lodge, No. 7, and was received with the utmost courtesy and consideration, by a full lodge. This lodge has been too often eulogized to need any further encomiums from me. I can only say that I fully endorse all the praise which has been, not undeservedly, lavished upon it."

At the meeting held February 4th, the room committee were "instructed to estimate the amount necessary to construct the new room to accommodate a Royal Arch Chapter, and that they have power to negotiate with the Directors of the Mechanic's Bank Building about getting the room warmed by steam." The chapter subsequently donated twenty-five dollars toward the expense of fitting up the room, and in the latter part of the year, "the room committee reported that they had negotiated with Union Chapter, No. 7, about renting the new room and had agreed to rent it for \$2.50 per night."

It is probably the general impression that the practice of conferring the degrees of Masonry on more than one candidate at the same time, was an entirely new feature when permitted by the Grand Lodge in 1904, but that such is not the case, although evidently done without authority, will be seen from the following letter:

"Camden, May 19, 1859.

"*Oscar J. Valentine, Esq., W. M. Newark Lodge, No. 7:*

"Dear Sir and Brother:—I am informed by Bro. Plume that it is the practice in your lodge to confer the degrees of Masonry on more than one candidate at a time. This is entirely out of order and I desire you to discontinue the practice at once. More than a year since, the lodges were informed in regard to this matter and I cannot conceive that No. 7 was overlooked. In haste,

Yours truly and fraternally,

JOS. TRIMBLE, G. M."

The Secretary was directed to acknowledge receipt of the above letter, stating that this lodge had received no previous notice in regard to it.

At the meeting held May 27th, "the room committee reported the amount subscribed for the new room \$836 and the amount nec-

essary to fit up the room with plain walls \$1,300." At a subsequent meeting they were given "full power to contract with any one to fresco the walls of the new room, the sides to be done in custock, at an expense not to exceed \$725." These amounts could not have included the furnishings, as the final report of the committee, presented in the following year, shows a total expenditure of \$3,377.01, of which \$1,279.76 was received from subscriptions and the balance of \$2,097.25, was drawn from the lodge treasury. It was necessary for the lodge to negotiate a loan of upwards of \$500 for this purpose, which was not fully settled until April 10, 1863.

At the meeting held December 2nd, the Secretary was "directed to invite the M. W. Grand Master of the State of New Jersey to the dedication of our new Hall, to be dedicated on St. John's Day, December 27th, at six o'clock P. M." and a committee of five was appointed with full power to make the necessary arrangements for the same. The entire minutes in regard to the dedication are as follows:

"The Worshipful Master stated that this was a special meeting for the purpose of dedicating the new room and that Newark Lodge, No. 7, was now ready to receive the R. W. Grand Lodge. The R. W. Grand Lodge of New Jersey was then admitted and received with the grand honors. M. W. Grand Master Joseph Trimble then dedicated the room in due and ancient form. An oration was then delivered by Rev. Bro. A. St. John Chambre."

The address was as follows:

"Brethren of the Masonic Fraternity:

"I hesitated to accept your kind invitation to deliver an address tonight, not from want of interest in your labors or cause, but from a consciousness of inability to do justice to this occasion—especially mid the manifold other duties demanding my attention. I am present, however, in the confidence that you will receive my remarks in the same spirit in which they are offered—the spirit of good will and brotherly love.

"From various causes—the darkness of past ages, the lack of means for preserving records, the convulsions, the disorders, and the changes of the world—the ancient history of Free Masonry is wrapped in obscurity. The inceptional steps of the order are variously traced. Many detect them in the Eleusinian mysteries, the most ancient known in history. These were observed by the Greeks from almost time immemorial, and were doubtless received by them from the Egyptians. They especially flourished in Athens, into

which they were introduced nearly fourteen hundred years before the advent of Christ. As the word 'mysteries' implies, all the ceremonies therewith were secret, and binding in their secrecy.

"They were religious, according to the religious ideas of those ages, and were observed in a Temple dedicated to them; and those who would participate in their interests, were initiated with strange attendant circumstances and gorgeous rites. Through these mysteries, also, the initiated were bound together by solemn ties and obligations—rendered stronger and more binding as they passed from the minor to the higher degree. We cannot stop to explain the nature of these rites, but the mysteries spread throughout the old world; and though, at first, doubtless attended with peculiarities, not all commendable, seem gradually to have attained a higher tone, and to have taught and incited to a morality and culture higher than usually obtained.

"We neither affirm nor deny that Free Masonry had its root in these ancient mysteries. Masonry itself properly dates from the rise of architectural powers, and as a distinct and separate secret order, from the period of Solomon, the great and wise king of the Old Testament, whom we recognize as the first Grand Master. It is not impossible that the mystic nature of Masonry was suggested by the Grecian mysteries; but our knowledge and ideas of Masonry, as in connection with Solomon, are in the binding of the craft in the building of the Temple of Jerusalem. But without dwelling upon this, necessarily obscure, portion of history, we tread upon surer ground and clearer historic views open before us at a later day; for, beyond all doubt, the fraternities of architects and builders in the earliest Christian ages, spread over the whole Christian world. Up through them, with whatever force tradition carries, though necessarily in a broken and confused manner, the evidences of Masonry, as a fraternity, are traced to Solomon and beyond. Hence, from the latest dates, Free Masonry is of ancient origin. Nor has the order been altogether unimportant, even in a scientific and aesthetic view. To the craft, unquestionably, do we owe the magnificent edifices of the middle ages, with their spires shooting up into the heavens as though they would lift up with them the soul and all its powers to God. And these edifices contrast most favorably with the architectural efforts of these ages in other departments, showing that the craft had been diligent students of their profession in its various details—as even now laid down, though now as symbols of higher duties, in the lodges of our own day.

"The spread of Masonry we do not pretend to follow. It is sufficient to know that the order is now found throughout the entire world, in forms essentially the same, though attended with local or other circumstances different from our own.

"True, the order has suffered varied and singular fortunes. It has been supported by the best and most powerful, and then persecuted by the same. It has been looked upon with jealousy and suspicion, and again trusted to the fullest extent. It has been prosperous and jubilant, and then under the shadows of adversity and in the deepest distress. But throughout all, we have yet to learn that the craft have not borne themselves nobly, with rare exceptions. They have endured where endurance seemed advisable; they have suffered where suffering was demanded; and still they exist, and have existed, through all ordeals, holding fast their obligations, spreading their numbers and enlarging their boundaries. Today they stand high in the civilized world, and exert a powerful and beneficent influence; their glory now being, not in their operative triumphs, but in their unobtrusive, yet magnificent deeds of charity; deeds done silently, but gladdening the hearts of unnumbered brethren and pouring joy into the souls of their widows and orphans.

"Yes, Free Masonry exists! In reality, its being and history is traceable through more than forty centuries of architectural remains, and in the evidences of its mysteries, in some form, from as far back. More than three thousand years since, it shone resplendently in its operative triumph in the gorgeous Temple of Solomon; and the temples and other magnificent structures of the ancient world, and even down through the middle ages, are, or have been, memorials of its skill and taste. It still lives! Though no longer operative, but simply speculative. It survives the wrecks of empires, the decay of nations, the blighting and perishing of earthly glories. The Temple of Solomon has long since crumbled into dust, Babylon, the proud city of the old world; Egypt, in its almost boundless wealth; Greece, in its height of culture; and Rome, in its imperial splendors, are now only tales of the buried past; but Free Masonry survives them all, as though with perpetual youth and vigor, adding fresh glories to its being from day to day and standing as a vast moral power, second only to Christianity, from which, certainly, it now receives its purest light and noblest exaltation.

"Free Masonry now (under Christianity at least), whatever it may have been in earlier ages, is, and has been for many years, as before intimated, a purely speculative—using that word Masoni-

cally—and benevolent institution. It is bound together, throughout the world, by secret ties, not for the sake of secrecy, but for the better and surer furthering of its principles, and to preserve itself from prying curiosity and the impositions of the evil disposed. And touching this secrecy of the order, we certainly see nothing therein at which the uninitiated should find fault. It is for self-protection and for that alone. Nay, there is something noble in it, rightly viewed; for as a benevolent fraternity, wishing not that the right hand should know what is done by the left, we do not desire that any, save ourselves, and those who are our proteges, should know or interfere with our affairs. As I view it, also, in some such light as this, may be considered the obligations under which Masons are placed. You know what they are. They are simple, pure and unobjectionable. They bind us together, as the common children of a common Father, into one great brotherhood; a brotherhood not limited to our own fraternity, but comprehending in its wide and charitable circle, all who bear the image and superscription of God, even the entire humanity.

“And Free Masonry among the civilized, is a religious order; not doctrinally, nor dogmatically, but speculatively. It is doubtless composed, in Christian countries, largely of those who are religious by virtue of a doctrinal system of faith; but these doctrines, whatever they may be, or however varied, or even antagonistic, are not brought into the lodge, only the practical fruits of righteousness being recognized therein. This does not prevent the membership from allegiance to such doctrines as they may deem proper to hold, nor debar them from holding them as vital articles of a religious system; but it does prevent from all theological clashing, and brings men of different religious views together as brothers, and fuses them into one mass for the furthering of all that is benevolent and humane. Free Masons meet on cardinal principles. There is, and must be, the recognition and expressed acknowledgment of one Supreme and Holy God—for no atheist, or even irreligious person, can be made a Mason, if he be known in that character. There must also be the recognition of the Bible, whether the Old or New Testaments, in its inspired claims—for none who rejects the Scriptures can be made Masons (at least in a Christian, or, so far as the Old Testament is concerned, in a Jewish lodge). And still further, there obtains the recognition of good works in all their minutiae—for none who would refuse this recognition could be admitted by the fraternity to their confidence or their privileges; and, in my

view, there can be no sublimer sight on earth than is presented in the Masonic lodges of a Christian people. Here meet, in kindly greeting and fraternal conduct, all classes of religionists. The bitterness of controversy is laid aside, and all meet on one common plane, recognizing the same God, the same Word of Life, and the same claims of moral obligation. All conditions thus meet on a common platform; for with us there is no respect of persons; the rich man or the nobleman being neither more nor less than any other man on the face of God's earth. 'A man's a man for aye that,' is the principle on which Masonry acts; and as all men have common lineaments and common natures, so are all recognized as worthy of the same honor and the same esteem, other things being equal, except where, for the purposes of labor and in the government of our lodges, we have officers to whom obedience is due; but this only obtains while at labor; at other times, all are on the same level and ought to be on the same square.

"Being a religious institution, with the limitations noted, we have a word on the religion of Free Masonry. The recognition of a Supreme Being, the creator and sustainer of all things, being one of our cardinal elements, necessitates the recognition of His claims upon us. We do not press this point now, not wishing to prolong these services to an undue length. Every symbol of our order teaches some great truth in this connection, and endeavors to enforce some great principle of life and action. From among these we now only call special attention to the principles of temperance, truth; brotherly love and justice. These, perhaps, embody all the obligations of Masons, and their claims should have our earnest attention and devotion. That I honor Masonic teachings is saying only what is thoroughly true. That I honor the general Masonic character, I take unfeigned pleasure in recording. Did I not see much in Masonry that is noble, benevolent, valuable and worthy of all respect and countenance, I would not be with you tonight; I would not have consented to occupy this position; I would not be with you at all.

"Very much can be said, justly, of Masonry, in its essence and as theoretically held. Very much also can be justly said of Masons as a body. But with all that, all lambskins are not unstained, nor are all worthily worn. I am aware that we have no right to expect perfection from any class of men. It perhaps cannot be found among any class as large as the Masonic, in any larger degree. But with this granted, we are, at least, open to improvement, and as

Masons should bend our efforts in that direction. Obviously, whatever is duty as Masons, is duty as man; and what we recognize as duty towards those whom we know as Masons, is equally our duty towards all others, though we know them not as Masons. In fine, what is our duty in the lodge, it is our duty in the world. This may be generally, but it is not always practically carried out.

“And confining ourselves only to what pertains to Masonry, it is unquestionably a deep Masonic sin to be intemperate in any way, but especially in the use of intoxicating liquors. Yet we have known those who claimed to be Masons, and who had entered into solemn obligations to avoid intemperance in all regards, who prostituted all the nobler powers of their being to the influence of this fell vice. We submit whether such are true Masons; and we leave each one to answer to his own conscience.

“In the matter of truth, it being one of the cardinal virtues of our order, we would ask, is it always observed? In business—in our dealings with our fellow men? It ought to be; and every true Mason is under obligation in this regard. With Masons there should be no tricks of trade; no undue advantage taken of any single soul; no falsehood for profit, and no falsehood at all. Where there is, I cannot recognize a true Mason, and I would not. Truth, at all times, and under all circumstances, and without any regard to the question of profit and loss, should constitute an essential characteristic of every member of our ancient and honorable fraternity.

“And as regards brotherly love and justice, which we combine under the same general remarks, no true Mason will deny that they should be pre-eminently carried out in the practice of every member of the craft. The two virtues are intimately and necessarily connected. There is justice in love, and love in justice, where they are properly conceived. They are virtues taught, enforced, insisted upon, by our order. Are they always observed? I am sorry to say that I have reasons for knowing they are not. I grant this is not the fault of Masonry, but of unworthy members. It is well, however, for all such to learn, and be made to understand, that they are unworthy members, and false to their obligations as Masons. But Free Masonry goes beyond the merely internal claims for brotherly love and justice—if it did not, it would be a very contracted and selfish organization—and insists upon the exercise of these virtues towards all, as opportunity may be afforded. Do we always recognize this? Do we always act upon it? Should we not? We have many things related concerning the help and favor shown, under

trying or other circumstances, by Masons to Masons, that would never have obtained towards those not Masons. The father of a friend of mine, a sea captain, was taken some years since, by pirates in Chinese waters. About to be strung to the yard-arm, he gave the usual Masonic sign of distress. The pirate captain was a Mason and acknowledged the sign. He released his prisoner, together with all his men, restored his cargo and vessel and sent him on his way rejoicing. That was very beautiful and all well, as far as it went; but I claim that that pirate captain was not a true Mason, and did not observe the virtues of brotherly love and justice towards all, which had been taught him at his initiation. Had he been a true Mason he would have been engaged in no such murderous and plundering occupation against humanity. The same principle may be applied in other cases, and in all cases involving wrong or evil towards our fellow creatures, which is always wrong or evil against God. Another illustration is to the point: A friend of mine, a Presbyterian clergyman, traveling through what are called the "bottoms" of Mississippi, where houses are few and far between, had his horse die under him. Traveling many weary miles to the next habitation, he told of his misfortune and tried to borrow a horse, for which he offered any remuneration demanded. The householder had horses, but would not be accommodating. My friend told him his profession, and that he was on his way to an important appointment, and with little time at his command; besides which, through those fearful woods and swampy roads, it would be impossible for him to walk; but it was all to no purpose. He then made himself known as a Mason, and in a moment all was changed. The man he was addressing was a Mason by profession—he lent him a horse and sent his son with him, on another, to guide his way; he also gave him letters to friends on the road, who would help him on his journey, and for all, utterly refused reward in any form. All well and beautiful again, if viewed in a partial light; but there was none of the religion of Masonry in that man's conduct, after all, or he would have treated a brother man in his distress, when he had the ability, especially, as readily and as handsomely as he would a brother Mason. Would he not?

"We might proceed in hinting the religion of Free Masonry and pointing out the line of duty, which may sometimes be forgotten or ignored. We have not time to dwell further upon these points; and we cease here the more readily, believing a word to the wise will prove sufficient. Masonic teachings, if really, earnestly

and practically carried out, will make a man virtuous; will lead him reverently and devoutly to 'render under Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's and unto God the things that are God's;' will make him faithful to God in all regards, and kind and just towards all his brother men.

"Brethren—you consecrate a new and truly beautiful lodge room tonight, dedicating it to the purposes of our order. All around us, symbolic though it be, and mystic to the uninitiated, yet speak to us as speculative Masons of the highest and noblest principles and virtues, as well as of the past history of Masonry. With the occupation of this new lodge room, all things pertaining to ourselves and our lives as Masons, should become new also, at least renewed. We have spoken of brotherly love. Of all virtues, it should be the nearest and dearest to a Mason's heart, and the most characteristic of his life. We dedicate this lodge room tonight as being the anniversary of one of the great patrons of Free Masonry—St. John the Evangelist. Of all the Apostles, he was the Apostle of love, even love to God and love to men. It was the shining light of his life; the radiant glory that shone around him ever, even to the grave. It was characteristic of all he said, as well as of all he did; and so, when his hairs were white as snow, and his steps were feeble, and he had to be carried into his Church, there to address his people while sitting in his chair—though he could scarcely speak a word—we find him (still carrying out the burden of his loving soul) stretching out his trembling hands over the heads of his flock and saying these words only: 'Little children love one another;' 'Love is the fulfilling of the law;' and so it is the fulfilling of the law; and it should be our lesson in this hour of our rejoicing and night of dedication.

"While being thankful, as we devoutly trust we are, to the great Architect of the Universe—the Grand Master of us all—for all his favors hitherto, let us still remember that the all-seeing eye is upon us, by night, as by day, in sickness, in sorrow, in all the vicissitudes and experiences of life, and even in death itself. Thus remembering, let us govern ourselves accordingly, cheering our souls meanwhile with the assurances which, as Masons, we possess; that by and by, through the clouded canopy of the starry heavens, we shall be raised to take our places in that Temple not made with hands—whose floor is of burnished gold—whose foundations are immortal—and whose light is not of the sun, or the moon, or the

stars, but of the radiant and eternal glories of its great builder and maker—God!”

A vote of thanks was tendered to Rev. Bro. Chambre for his interesting address and in the early part of the following year 1,000 copies of it were printed and distributed.

The Grand Master made the following reference to the dedication, in his annual address to the Grand Lodge:

“On St. John’s Day last, I attended at Newark Lodge, No. 7, and with the assistance of the Grand Officers, dedicated the commodious hall that lodge had just completed, which, in the neatness and appropriateness of its furniture and appointments, is well adapted, in all respects, to the purposes for which it is intended.”

R. W. Robert C. Buzby, Junior Grand Warden, also referred to it as follows, in his report to the Grand Master:

“On the 27th of December, I had the honor to be present, with yourself and the other Grand Officers, at the dedication of Newark Lodge, No. 7, at Newark, and was much gratified. Their new room will reflect credit to the fraternity throughout the State, and I have no doubt that No. 7 will continue to be the model lodge of New Jersey.”

Bro. John R. S. Denton presented the lodge with the emblematic letter G, which has ever since hung above the station of the Master; and Bro. Morgan L. Curtis presented a handsome chandelier for the ante-room. The gifts were accepted with thanks and the following resolutions adopted:

“Resolved, that the thanks of Newark Lodge, No. 7, are due and are hereby tendered to Bro. John R. S. Denton for the handsome emblem donated by him to the lodge; and also to Bro. Morgan L. Curtis for the elegant and tasty chandelier furnished, of his own volition, for our use and benefit;

“Resolved, that we recognize in these acts of kindness, on the part of the brothers named, a natural manifestation of the beauty and grandeur of Masonic principles and point to these beautiful specimens of their handicraft as most significant testimonials of the value and elevating character of our ancient and honorable order;

“Resolved, that in accepting the gifts so handsomely and generously tendered, we pledge ourselves never to permit the lustre of the one to be obscured, nor the light streaming from the other to be shadowed, by any deed unworthy of true Masons; but cherishing both among us as most precious symbols, we shall ever hold the kindness of the donors in most grateful remembrance.”

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The room was, at that time, unquestionably the finest lodge room in the State, and by request, it was thrown open to visitors, weather permitting, on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. The following extract from the Newark *Daily Mercury*, of January 4, 1860, will give the impression of it formed by a disinterested observer:

"The rooms are fitted up in the most elegant style, the furniture and fixtures having cost some two thousand dollars. The floors are laid with Brussels carpets, the windows are hung with heavy brocatelle curtains, and all the principal chairs, which are of oak and carved, are trimmed with blue. The Senior Deacon's chair is an old fixture, and is venerable because of its having been once occupied by General Lafayette. (This chair was originally the property of Washington Chapter, which was later succeeded by Union Chapter). The ceiling and walls of the main room are beautifully frescoed, the work having been executed by Donnaruma, of this city. At four points of the ceiling are representations, respectively, of Fortitude, Prudence, Temperance and Justice. In the centre of the ceiling is a large dome, handsomely painted with a representation of sunrise at Jerusalem. Upon the west, the moon and stars are gradually paling before the dawn, while on the east the first golden rays of the coming sun flash up the sky.

"The gas fixtures were all furnished by Morgan L. Curtis, of this city, but doing business in New York. The glass globes are all ornamented with appropriate emblems. A beautiful chandelier, placed in the ante-room, was presented to the lodge by Mr. Curtis, and is one of the finest and most curious pieces of workmanship we have ever seen. In the manufacture of this fixture, the object was to form every part of strictly Masonic emblems, or combinations of the same, and yet preserve the proportions necessary to graceful appearance. This object has been fully accomplished, the chandelier bringing before the mind, at a glance, nearly the whole of the insignia of the order, systematically and tastefully arranged.

"Over the chair of the Worshipful Master, at a prominent point, the lodge displays a star, presented by Col. John R. S. Denton. This star is made of mother-of-pearl mosaic work and encloses the letter G, which is also of pearl. The piece from which the letter is made is a family keepsake, of unusual size. The back ground is of dark satin and the whole is surrounded by a beautiful gilt frame, rendering it at once one of great utility for the purpose intended,

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as well as perhaps the most beautiful and expensive one which graces any lodge in the Union.

“The rooms are finely adapted to their uses, and reflect great credit upon the committee who had the supervision of their arrangements. They are heated by steam throughout. The lodge now numbers about one hundred and eighty members, and is in a highly prosperous condition.”

The 33rd annual election was held December 23rd and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Joseph K. Lewis, Worshipful Master; Charles L. Jones, Senior Warden; Amos H. Searfoss, Junior Warden; Simon Searing, Treasurer; William Bucklish, Secretary; Nathan Condit, Tyler; Charles L. Jones, Amos H. Searfoss and David J. Camfield, Standing Committee; Elisha M. Smith, Senior Deacon; John A. Snyder, Junior Deacon; and Daniel T. Clark and Jonathan Fairchild, Stewards. The officers were then duly installed by Past Master Valentine.

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JOSEPH KEARNEY LEWIS

Joseph Kearney Lewis, our eighteenth Master, was born May 9, 1830, in Morristown, New Jersey. He was raised June 14, 1852, in Newark Lodge. He served as Senior Deacon in 1856, 1857, 1858 and 1859, and as Worshipful Master in 1860. He demitted June 12, 1863, to become a charter member and the first Senior Warden of Alpha Lodge, at Keyport, New Jersey. The warrant of that lodge was surrendered April 20, 1864, and a new lodge, known as Cæsarea Lodge, No. 64, was organized, of which Bro. Lewis was the first Master.

At the meeting held December 30th, "P. M. Oscar J. Valentine stated that the M. W. Grand Master declared the election of Worshipful Master illegal, and that he was the legal Master of the lodge until after the session of the Grand Lodge."

In the address of M. W. Joseph Trimble, Grand Master, to the Grand Lodge, on January 18, 1860, he said:

"I have to call the attention of the Grand Lodge to the proceedings of Newark Lodge, No. 7, and Eureka Lodge, No. 39, in regard to the election of officers in these lodges. In both cases, the Master elect was taken from the floor and had never served in the capacity of Warden in any lodge; this action I deemed irregular and declared the election of those officers void, and continued the respective lodges under the care of the previous Masters, until the matter could be presented to the Grand Lodge for its decision. In regard to Newark Lodge, No. 7, it is but just to that lodge to say, that it was greatly embarrassed by the Wardens refusing to serve as Master, if elected."

This same question was presented to the Grand Lodge in 1846, as the result of the election of a brother to the office of Master of Cincinnati Lodge, No. 3, who had never served as Warden of any lodge, and Grand Master Earl said, in his address: "I informed them that the election was illegal, except in extreme cases, such as

forming a new lodge or resuscitating an old one. In coming to this decision I was governed by the ancient constitutions, which expressly say that no brother can serve as Master of a lodge who has not first served as a Warden."

The Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom the matter was referred, reported as follows:

"In regard to the position in which Newark and other lodges are situated, respecting the election of Masters from the floor, your committee are of the opinion that the law is imperative on this point, that no brother shall be elected to fill the East of a subordinate lodge, who has not first served as a Warden, in that or some other regularly warranted lodge, and cannot be departed from, except in extraordinary cases, where its provisions cannot, by any possibility, be complied with, when, they think, it is the prerogative of this Grand Lodge to judge of the circumstances which led to the departure and take such action as it may see fit in the premises."

The above report was accepted and the committee recommended the passage of the following resolution:

"Resolved, that Bros. Joseph K. Lewis, of Newark Lodge, No. 7; John Sproston, of Eureka Lodge, No. 39; Thomas R. Chittenden, of Acacia Lodge, No. 20, and Charles Ewan, Jr., of Mount Holly Lodge, No. 14, having been elected as Worshipful Masters of their respective lodges, under such circumstances as to preclude the possibility of any other choice, be, and they are hereby approved by this Grand Lodge, and their election declared valid."

The above resolution was not approved by the Grand Lodge, but the following substitute was submitted and adopted:

"Resolved, that the election of Bros. Joseph K. Lewis, of Newark Lodge, No. 7, and of John Sproston, of Eureka Lodge, No. 39, having been declared irregular and void by M. W. Grand Master Trimble, this Grand Lodge will grant dispensations, if applied for, for the election of Worshipful Masters of these lodges from the floor, if necessary, and others, if similarly situated."

Newark Lodge at once applied for a dispensation and it was duly issued, as follows:

*"To the W. M., Wardens and Brethren of Newark Lodge, No. 7,
F. & A. M., of the State of New Jersey:*

"Whereas, the R. W. Grand Lodge of said State, at its annual communication, held at the City of Trenton, on Wednesday, the 18th day of January, inst., did declare the election of Worshipful Master of said Newark Lodge, No. 7, at its last annual election, to

be illegal; and

“Whereas, said Grand Lodge did, at the same time, direct, upon proper application being first made, that a dispensation to hold an election for said officer, should be granted; and also that any member of said lodge, although he had not served as Warden, might be elected to fill said office, if the same became necessary; and

Whereas, such application has been made to the proper authority, by said Newark Lodge, No. 7;

“Therefore, be it known, that I, Isaac Van Wagoner, Grand Master of said Grand Lodge, by virtue of the authority in me vested, do hereby grant permission to the W. M., Wardens and brethren of Newark Lodge, No. 7, to hold an election for Worshipful Master of said lodge, at a stated meeting thereof, to be held at the usual time and place, on Friday, the 3rd day of February next; also in case the necessity shall arise, to elect a member who has not regularly served as a Warden, to said office of Worshipful Master.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Grand Lodge,
(SEAL) this 26th day of January, A. L. 5860, A. D. 1860, at
Trenton, aforesaid.

ISAAC VAN WAGONER,

Attest: ..

Grand Master of N. J.”

JOSEPH H. HOUGH,

Grand Secretary.

A special election was held by Newark Lodge, in accordance with the dispensation, and the only nominee being Joseph K. Lewis, he was unanimously elected and was installed by Past Master Plume.

Subsequent to the approval of the law, as laid down in the decision of Grand Master Earl, it had been twice violated by Newark Lodge, prior to the election of Bro. Lewis, but undoubtedly through ignorance, in electing James J. Terhune and David S. Plume to the office of Master, neither of whom had previously served as a Warden. While it is a well known axiom, that ignorance of the law is no excuse for its violation, such an assertion pre-supposes a reasonable effort to promulgate the law.

In the time of Grand Master Earl, the proceedings of the Grand Lodge were not accessible to the subordinate lodges, and it is quite evident that Grand Master Trimble was not aware that the question had previously come before the Grand Lodge, or he would hardly have used the words, “this action I deemed irregular,” basing his opinion on an ancient Masonic law, instead of referring to the

decision of Grand Master Earl, and its approval by the Grand Lodge, as conclusive on the subject; nor does it seem that the Committee on Jurisprudence could have known of that decision, as they did not refer to it. It is not surprising, therefore, that the subordinate lodges had no knowledge of it, especially as it had been entirely omitted from the published laws or digests of the Grand Lodge, and was first inserted in the revision of January, 1861, thus affording considerable excuse for its violation.

The ancient law referred to, is found in "The Constitution of the Free Masons, etc., adopted in London, England, in 1723," wherein it is said, "no brother can be a Warden until he has passed the part of a fellow craft, nor a Master until he has acted as a Warden." It is safe to assert that the subordinate lodges were unfamiliar with this law, or it would hardly have been violated by so many of them.

At the meeting held January 27th, "Bro. Woodruff, in behalf of Newark Lodge, No. 7, presented to P. M. David S. Plume and Worshipful Master Oscar J. Valentine, a Past Master's jewel each, as a testimony of regard and respect for their untiring services to Newark Lodge as Worshipful Master. The thanks of those brethren were then tendered to Newark Lodge." The jewels were procured by authority of a resolution which was adopted November 18th of the previous year.

At the meeting held April 13th, the Worshipful Master appointed Rev. Bro. St. John Chambre to serve as Chaplain.

At the same meeting, a committee was "appointed to make arrangements to have the Eastern Star degree conferred on all Master Mason's wives and daughters who may desire." They performed the duty assigned to them and the degree was conferred on the evening of May 9th.

The following communication was presented on the evening of April 27th, and the request of the petitioners, for a recommendation to the Grand Master, was complied with:

"To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of Newark Lodge, No. 7:

"We, the undersigned, together with the brethren whose names are annexed to the accompanying petition, being desirous of forming a new lodge, to be called Kane Lodge, in this city, would most respectfully petition the brethren of Newark Lodge for a recommendation to the Most Worshipful Grand Master to grant a dis-

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pensation to enable us to form said lodge and work in the principles of Ancient York Masonry.

W. DONALDSON KINNEY,
JOHN SPROSTON,
HENRY A. WARD,
W. D. RUTAN."

A subsequent request for the use of our room, on the evening of July 12th, for the purpose of instituting the new lodge, was also complied with, and a vote of thanks was tendered by Kane Lodge for the courtesy.

Kane Lodge also made the following application for the use of our room for their regular meetings:

"Newark, July 20, 1860.

"To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of Newark Lodge, No. 7, F. & A. M.:

"By a resolution of Kane Lodge, under dispensation, the undersigned was directed to apply to your body for the use of your Hall, on the first and third Thursdays of each month, to be used for the usual Masonic purposes. Should you be disposed to entertain this application, I shall be happy to confer with your committee at any time agreeable to them, as I have full power granted to me to conclude any arrangement which may be mutually agreeable.

Fraternally yours,

W. DONALDSON KINNEY."

This request was referred to a committee and they made the following report:

"Newark, July 27, 1860.

"To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of Newark Lodge, No. 7:

"The undersigned, a committee appointed on the 20th inst., to whom an application from Kane Lodge for the renting of Newark Lodge room, for their regular communications, was referred, respectfully report:

"That while regarding the brethren of Kane Lodge with high esteem, and cordially extending to the new lodge the right hand of fellowship and welcoming her into the great Masonic family, after giving the subject our individual attention and conferring with old and prominent members of the lodge, brethren who have always been ready to assist us with their counsel and advice, and have not been lacking in the more substantial aid of their purse, and others

who take a deep interest in the welfare of Newark Lodge, and feeling, ourselves, a just pride in our beautiful room, ranking as it does among if not the first, in the State, and fitted up with much expense, are unanimously of the opinion and would so report; that it would be impolitic and unwise to make any disposition of the room other than at first contemplated and for which it was expressly fitted, namely, for Newark Lodge and the Chapter. Your committee have also conferred with a committee from Kane Lodge and find that the compensation they are willing to make, will not pay for the extra wear of the room and furniture. In coming to this conclusion, your committee are governed not only by their own convictions of duty to Newark Lodge, but also in accordance with those who have and now stand ready to lend a helping hand and who have contributed largely in furnishing the lodge and who desire to see it used only for the purposes for which it was originally intended. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JONATHAN FAIRCHILD,
THEODORE MACKNET,
FRANCIS MORAN,

Committee."

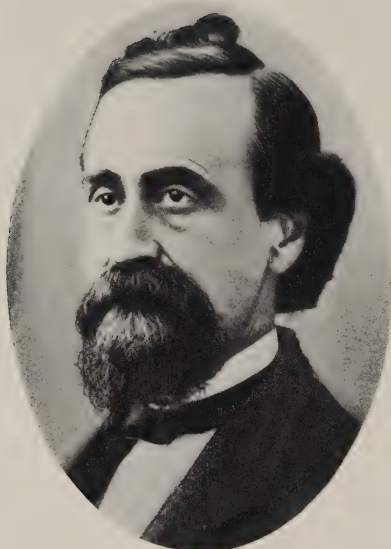
Upon presentation of the report, a resolution that Kane Lodge have the use of the room at five dollars per night, for two meetings in each month, was lost, but at the next meeting its use was granted to them, without expense, until they could obtain one for themselves.

The matter was again presented on November 30th, and a motion was adopted, "that Kane Lodge, U. D., have the use of the room, for Masonic purposes, at a compensation of five dollars a night."

The 34th annual election was held December 21st and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Charles L. Jones, Worshipful Master; Daniel T. Clark, Senior Warden; John A. Snyder, Junior Warden; Simon Searing, Treasurer; William Bucklish, Secretary; Nathan Condit, Tyler; and Albert H. Woodruff, Charles L. Jones and Daniel T. Clark, Standing Committee. The officers were duly installed by Past Master Lewis, at the meeting held December 28th, and the following subordinate officers were appointed: Eugene A. Bleything, Senior Deacon; Samuel B. Easton, Junior Deacon; John Hughes and John L. Meeker, Stewards; and Rev. A. St. John Chambre, Chaplain.

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CHARLES LA FAYETTE JONES

Charles LaFayette Jones, our nineteenth Master, was born April 6th, 1825, in Warren, Vermont. He was raised August 20, 1858, in Newark Lodge. He served as Senior Warden in 1860, and as Worshipful Master in 1861, 1862 and 1863. He died March 1, 1905, in the 80th year of his age.

At the meeting held February 1st, a committee was appointed "to confer with St. John's Lodge, No. 1, and other lodges of this city, about the uniformity of the work." Although the Grand Lodge provided, in 1858, for the appointment of a Grand Lec-

turer and for the adoption of a standard work, the above motion would indicate that the lodges had not completely emerged from that chaotic condition in which there were almost as many different kinds of work as there were lodges. That some progress had been made toward securing uniformity, is evidenced by the following resolution, which was offered by R. W. Thomas J. Corson, Senior Grand Warden, and adopted by the Grand Lodge, in 1861:

"Resolved, that this Grand Lodge still approves the work as authorized by the M. W. Grand Master, Grand Officers and Grand Lecturer during last year, and that the Grand Officers are hereby instructed to cause the same to be used, as far as they may have power to do so, by the subordinate lodges under this jurisdiction, until otherwise ordered by this Grand Lodge."

Newark Lodge was anxious to acquire the authorized work and invited R. W. Bro. Corson to be present at a special meeting, for its exemplification. He accepted the invitation and at the next session of the Grand Lodge, made the following report in regard to his visitation:

"Having received a courteous invitation from the Officers of Newark Lodge, No. 7, to visit that lodge and therein exemplify the

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work of the three degrees, I took with me Bros. W. W. L. Phillips, John Woolverton, W. D. Sinclair and Charles Bechtel, of No. 5, all of whom are exceptionally well skilled in the work and lectures, as authorized by this Grand Lodge, and on the 3rd of April, visited that lodge. A large number of brethren had assembled to witness the exemplification, and we exemplified in full the work of the three degrees, as well as of the opening and closing, etc., to the apparent gratification of all who were present."

In addition to the approval of the work, another important step was taken by the Grand Lodge, at the session of 1861, in adopting the General Regulation that no candidate should be advanced until one month had elapsed after receiving a degree, and he had exhibited suitable proficiency therein in open lodge. The tendency in Newark Lodge, as well as all others, had been to rush a candidate through, with little or no opportunity to acquire knowledge in regard to the ceremonies through which he had passed. The requirement of this regulation, in regard to examination in open lodge, was first observed by Newark Lodge on the evening of March 1st.

We are reminded of the breaking out of the Civil War by a resolution, adopted on the evening of April 26th, "that every brother volunteering in the service of the country, be furnished with a traveling certificate."

The following resolutions in memory of Bro. John W. Hunter, who died May 10th, were adopted by the lodge:

"Resolved, that in the death of our brother, John W. Hunter, to whose memory we have just paid the last sad rite, which as a member of the mystic circle, the fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, we owe to every brother, we recognize the inscrutable hand of Him who doeth all things well, and humbly bow to the decree which, while it for a time separates us, has, we trust, admitted him into that celestial lodge above, where the Supreme Grand Master himself presides;

"Resolved, that in the death of our brother, we recognize not only the loss to us who yet remain, but the still greater loss to his bereaved family, to whom, for many years, he has been a kind and faithful husband and father, assuring them that they have the sincere and heartfelt sympathy of his brethren of Newark Lodge;

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“Resolved, that these resolutions be entered upon the minutes and a copy furnished to the family, under the seal of the lodge, signed by the Master and attested by the Secretary.”

At the meeting held November 16th, “a petition was read from a number of brothers to form a new lodge, in the city of Newark, to be known as La Fraternite Francaise Lodge,” and at the next meeting, “the petition for a warrant was recommended.”

On five different occasions during this year, addresses were delivered before the lodge, for which the customary votes of thanks were tendered to the speakers, who were as follows: Rev. Bro. Newton Heston, of Chandler Lodge, No. 277, Pennsylvania; Wor. Bro. Frederick W. Ricord, of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, who was requested to deliver a second one in due time; Bro. Amos Searfoss, of this lodge; R. W. John R. Chapin, Past Deputy Grand Master; and Bro. Albert H. Woodruff, of this lodge.

The 35th annual election was held December 20th and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Charles L. Jones, Worshipful Master; Daniel T. Clark, Senior Warden; Eugene A. Bleything, Junior Warden; Adam Hay, Treasurer; William Bucklish, Secretary; Nathan Condit, Tyler; Albert H. Woodruff, Daniel T. Clark and Francis Moran, Standing Committee; John L. Meeker, Senior Deacon; Clarkson Ackin, Junior Deacon; and Charles Boylan and Charles Clements, Stewards. The officers were then duly installed by Past Master Plume.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Bro. Simon Searing for his faithful services as Treasurer, and a committee was appointed to prepare suitable resolutions. They reported the following, which were adopted:

“Whereas, Bro. Searing has filled the office of Treasurer of Newark Lodge, No. 7, F. & A. M., during the past twelve years, to the entire satisfaction of the lodge, having also at many different times advanced monies for the use of the lodge, thereby exhibiting the sincerity of his professions and the zeal which has ever characterized him as a man and Mason; and

“Whereas, Bro. Searing has been constrained, by ill health, to decline any further service as Treasurer of Newark Lodge; therefore,

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“Resolved, that Newark Lodge hereby expresses to Bro. Searing the sympathy which is felt by its members, individually, in his welfare and their thanks to him for the prompt and efficient manner in which he has performed the responsible duties of his office;

“Resolved, that the foregoing be spread upon the records of Newark Lodge and that the Secretary certify a copy of the same to Bro. Searing.”

The lodge met in the afternoon of December 27th and “the Worshipful Master stated that the meeting was called for the purpose of uniting with St. John’s Lodge, No. 1, in their centennial celebration at the Broad Street M. E. Church.” After suitable religious exercises, an historical sketch was read by Bro. C. H. Waugh and an oration was delivered by Bro. George M. Giger. At the close of the public exercises, the brethren repaired to St. John’s Hall and were very hospitably entertained.

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At the meeting held January 24th, the following was adopted:

"Whereas, an announcement has been made before Newark Lodge, that Bros. Eugene A. Bleything, Junior Warden; William Bucklish, Secretary; Caleb H. Leonard and John Ditmars, Master Masons, are about to leave their homes for the purpose of entering the military service of the country; and

"Whereas, this lodge has ever found the brothers to be active in the cause of Masonry, and efficient officers of the lodge; therefore, be it

"Resolved that Newark Lodge, recognizing the services of Bro. Bucklish, as Secretary of the lodge for the past four years, and those of Bro. Bleything, as Junior Deacon during the term of two years, also for the time in which he has filled the office of Junior Warden, does hereby tender to the brothers named, its thanks for the services thus rendered to it, assuring them that they will ever have the best wishes of the lodge in whatever position they may hereafter occupy;

"Resolved, that the foregoing be spread upon the minutes of the lodge."

The lodge met on the evening of January 27th, in the room of Eureka Lodge, No. 39, for the purpose of conferring the three degrees of Masonry, by dispensation from the Grand Master, upon Col. Thomas L. Martin, who was about to depart for the seat of war, and a vote of thanks was tendered to Eureka Lodge for their courtesy. Our room was occupied that evening for the regular meeting of Union Chapter.

The memorable naval engagement of the Civil War, which resulted in the destruction of the United States Frigates, Cumberland and Congress, by the Confederate Ironclad Merrimac, at Hampton Roads, on Saturday, March 8, 1862, and the defeat of the Merrimac, the next morning, by the insignificant appearing Monitor, is recalled by the following resolution, adopted on the evening of March 14th:

"Resolved, that it is with deep regret we have heard of the death of Rev. Bro. John L. Lenhart, who was killed on board of the Cumberland, in her encounter with the Merrimac, while in the discharge of his duties, as Chaplain, in the service of his country, and although passed away from us, to meet no more in this lodge, his

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memory will be cherished by us until we meet again in the Grand Lodge on high;

“Resolved, that the lodge room be placed in mourning for one month.”

Rev. Bro. Lenhart affiliated with Newark Lodge, February 10, 1845, but we have no knowledge as to where he was made a Mason. Upon the death of the Grand Chaplain, in 1846, he was appointed to fill the vacancy, and again occupied that office from 1855 to 1858. The following letter was written by him to Rev. Bro. James M. Tuttle, of this lodge, one week before he was killed:

“U. S. S. Cumberland, off Newport News,
March 1st, 1862.

“My Dear Bro. Tuttle:

“Yours of the 27th was received this day and right glad was I to hear from you. I did not know but you had quite forgotten your old friend in the midst of perils and dangers, whilst you were surrounded by friends and enjoying the comforts of home, etc., etc. It seems, however, that you have had to share in the sorrows of those that mourn. So our dear Bro. Force is no more among us. I really feel sad to think I shall see his face no more on earth. I loved him as a man; and as a minister of the Gospel, I revered him. Verily, we may ask the Father, where are they? Well, we believe there is a place prepared for the Christian; that place is the Christian’s Heavenly Home. The Father is there and our departed and dearly beloved ones are there. Oh, may we so live that when we depart we may share with them in that Heavenly Home and be sad and sorrowful no more forever. Since the beginning of this year, I have been more than ordinarily afflicted in body; for some time with diarrhœa, then with chills and fever, and now I am suffering from neuralgia in the head, the eyes principally affected. The doctor will not allow me to read or write. I am now transgressing, yet I cannot forbear the privilege of writing to you, as I hope soon to hear from you in return.

“We certainly have great reasons for rejoicing at the recent victories won by our arms, yet, Bro. Tuttle, I fear many lives will be lost and much blood shed before rebeldom will be fairly subjugated. The southerners will not yield as readily as some imagine. Especially while those fanatical abolitionists are putting forth efforts to carry out their unconstitutional program. I have no more sympathy for the ultra-abolitionist than I have for the southern fire-eater. I

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go for the constitution just as it is; no amendments, no tampering whatever. I believe when this stand is fairly taken and every rascal that attempts to destroy the integrity of the government is properly dealt with, it will not be long ere this dreadful war will have an end.

"I have learned the difference between cruising on board a 'Man of War' in times of peace and war times. Now, constant vigilance and activity are necessary. Many sleepless and anxious hours pass away, not knowing what hour we may be called into action to kill or be killed. A few evenings ago, a dispatch from Gen. Wool reached us, that the enemy, that night, was to attack us. The Merimac, from Norfolk, and the Gun Boats above us, of the James River, were to attack the Cumberland and Congress, afloat, and Gen. Magruder's army to attack Camp Butler, at Newport News. We beat to quarters and laid upon our arms all night. We felt that we were ready for them and I am not sure but a goodly number of us felt a little desirous to have them come on. I think, before this month ends you will hear stirring news from this quarter.

"If God, in mercy, spares my life, I will try to be with you at Conference. Tell Bro. L. he must have a place for me. My visit, however, will depend entirely upon the state of affairs with us here. At present, we cannot have twenty-four hours leave of absence. If it be so that I cannot be with you in person, I will, in spirit. Give my love to all the preachers. I hope, dear Bro. T., I shall have an interest in your prayers. I wish very much to be a devoted Christian and a useful, happy minister of the Gospel of Christ, so that whether on shore or afloat, in times of peace or war, I may be the honored instrument of good to my fellow men and then, when done with this world of sorrow and strife, find my way to Heaven. Much love to Mrs. T., the children and all inquiring friends.

Yours truly,

J. L. LENHART."

At the meeting held May 30th "a letter from Bro. Atkinson, giving a description of the battle of Williamsburg, where he was present, was read."

At the meeting held November 21st the use of the room was granted to Kane Council, No. 2, Royal and Select Masters, at \$2.50 per night, for their regular meetings.

The following resolutions, in memory of Bro. Simon Searing, who died December 11th, were adopted by the lodge:

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“Whereas, it has pleased the Supreme Architect of the Universe to remove from our midst our esteemed Bro. Simon Searing, therefore,

“Resolved, that in the death of Bro. Simon Searing, Newark Lodge, No. 7, has sustained no ordinary loss, and in paying to his memory this last tribute of our affection and respect, would bear testimony to his zeal, fidelity and attachment, during a long association with us, to our time honored institution, at all times and in all circumstances;

“Resolved, that in the loss of Bro. Searing we feel almost as though an ancient landmark has been removed, and while we submit with resignation to this act, in removing from our earthly lodge our beloved brother, we trust that he has received the reward prepared for those seated at the right hand of the Supreme Grand Master of the Universe above;

“Resolved, that we deeply sympathize with his afflicted family in their irreparable loss and would direct them, for consolation, to the Supreme Grand Master in the Heavens above, who only can give consolation to the afflicted, sooth their sorrows, and for all, bring to meet again in the celestial lodge on high;

“Resolved, that a memorial page be prepared upon the book of minutes, as a last tribute of respect to our deceased brother;

“Resolved, that the foregoing resolutions be entered upon the minutes and a copy sent to the family of our late Bro. Simon Searing.”

The 36th annual election was held December 26th and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Charles L. Jones, Worshipful Master; John L. Meeker, Senior Warden; Francis Moran, Junior Warden; Adam Hay, Treasurer; William Bucklish, Secretary; William Pilkington, Tyler; and John L. Meeker, Francis Moran and John M. Mayhew, Standing Committee. The officers were publicly installed by Past Grand Master Bruen at the meeting held December 30th, and the following subordinate officers were appointed: Charles Boylan, Senior Deacon; Clarkson Ackin, Junior Deacon; and James M. Pool and Charles Clements, Stewards.

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At the meeting held January 16th a motion was adopted "that each member be requested to procure his picture, with his signature and time of his being made a Mason, to hang up in the lodge room." A considerable number of the members were of the opinion that miscellaneous pictures of this nature would tend to deface the walls of the room and the motion was rescinded at the next meeting. If they had been obtained and filed with the petitions for membership, the collection would have been a very valuable one.

A committee was appointed at the meeting held July 24th to procure an organ. They made their report on September 11th and were instructed to procure one at a cost of \$425.

At the meeting held October 23rd, a motion was adopted "that Newark Lodge meet on Monday morning, at half-past nine o'clock, for the purpose of attending the funeral of our deceased brother, Past Grand Master John S. Darcy." The funeral services were held under the auspices of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, of which Most Worshipful Bro. Darcy was a member, and Newark Lodge united in paying the last tribute of respect to the memory of the one from whom we received our original dispensation, and who had stood by us so nobly in our early struggle for existence.

At the meeting held November 6th, the by-laws were revised, and the committee who were appointed to have them printed, were authorized to print with them so much of the by-laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge as would seem to them necessary and proper; they were also authorized, at a subsequent meeting, to include a list of all the members of this lodge.

The 37th annual election was held December 25th, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Oscar J. Valentine, Worshipful Master; Eugene A. Bleything, Senior Warden; Abram Van Arsdale, Junior Warden; Adam Hay, Treasurer; David J. Camfield, Secretary; William Pilkington, Tyler; Charles Boylan, David S. Plume and Eugene A. Bleything, Standing Committee; Charles Boylan, Senior Deacon; William J. Birdsall, Junior Deacon; and Jonathan Fairchild and John Hassell, Stewards. The officers were duly installed at the meeting held December 30th, by Past Master Jones.

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The following was offered for consideration at the meeting held December 30th:

“Newark Lodge, No. 7, F. & A. M., having done honor to itself by the selection of Worshipful Charles L. Jones to the office of Master for three successive years, and appreciating at their full value the services of all officers, of whatever degree, does hereby express its thanks to Worshipful Charles L. Jones and the several subordinate officers for the prompt and faithful performance of their duties during the past year; and for the purpose of further expressing its appreciation of the services mentioned, it is

“Resolved, that a committee, consisting of three members, be appointed to procure a suitable medal or jewel to be presented to Worshipful Past Master Charles L. Jones.”

There was no action taken on this resolution at the meeting at which it was presented, but it was taken up and adopted at the meeting held January 8th, and a committee appointed to procure the jewel. The jewel was obtained at a cost of \$125 and was presented to Wor. Bro. Jones on April 15th of the following year.

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1864

At a meeting held January 8th, "a bill of George Jardine & Sons, for the organ, amounting to \$425, was ordered paid." This was a small pipe organ, but an unusually fine instrument, and compared very favorably with many of the larger church organs in this city. A public musical, for its dedication, was given on the evening of January 19th, but no record of the entertainment appears in the minutes, except the following resolutions, which were adopted January 29th:

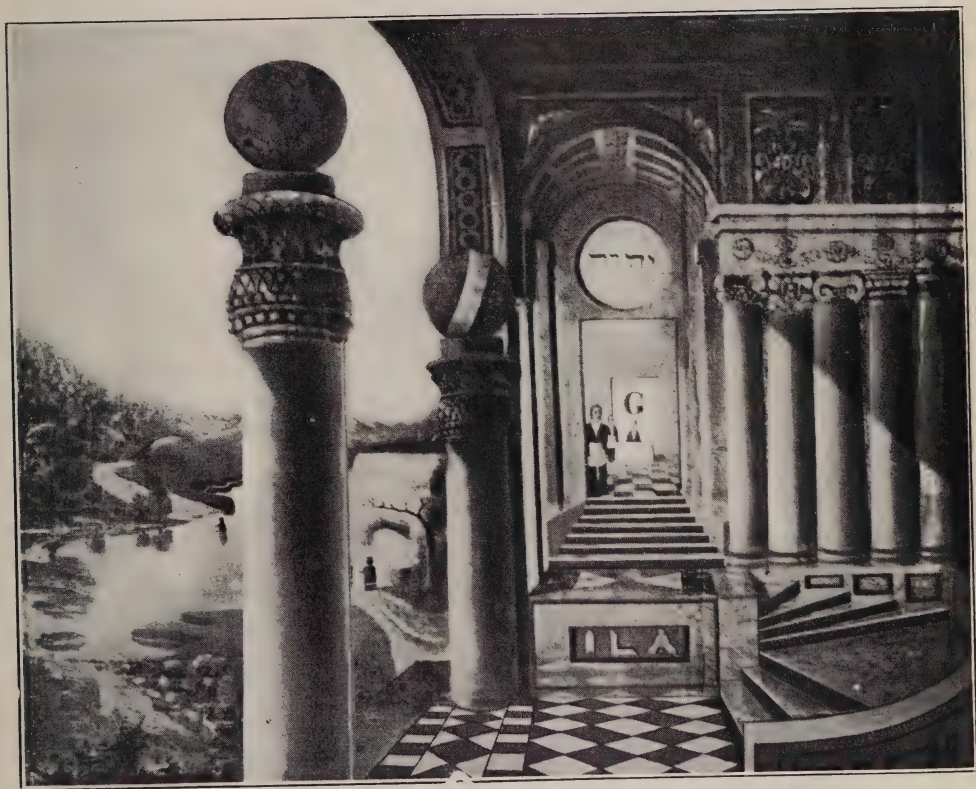
"Resolved, that the thanks of Newark Lodge, No. 7, are eminently due the ladies and gentlemen and little old-folks, comprising the choir, who, by their ever to be remembered sweet voices, contributed so largely to the evening's entertainment, on the occasion of the dedication of our new organ, and,

"Resolved, that being fully aware of our inability to repay, we have sought this means to, at least, express our deep sense of gratitude, and only hope that having once been so agreeably entertained, that a repetition of that evening's enjoyment, now so agreeably referred to, may soon occur;

"Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes, as a lasting record of one of the most pleasing events in the history of the lodge."

At the meeting held February 19th, "a piece of the U. S. Ship Cumberland, on which Rev. Bro. John L. Lenhart lost his life, was presented to the lodge by Grand Chaplain George H. Jones. It was received with thanks to the donor and the Secretary directed to notify Bro. Jones of its acceptance, and a committee was appointed to take charge of the relic." It was later placed in a frame and hung upon the walls of the lodge room.

At the meeting held May 13th, "the picture over the Junior Warden's chair was, by a vote of the lodge, loaned to Bro. Charles Weittle for the purpose of photographing." The picture referred to is a painting symbolical of the fellow craft degree, which was probably acquired about the time when the room in the Mechanic's Bank building was fitted up, but there is no record of the manner in which the lodge came into possession of it. In the minutes of April 27, 1860, there is a reference to a letter from Mr. J. M.



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Clark about a picture, which was referred to a committee for investigation. On June 15th "the committee on picture made their report and the Secretary was directed to confer with Mr. Clark about the same;" and on August 10th "the Secretary was directed to answer Mr. Clark's letter to this lodge about a picture." These entries may relate to the painting, but unfortunately, the letter was not preserved, and the minutes shed no light whatever upon the contents of the letter or of the committee report. The painting is herewith reproduced.

A history of this lodge, which had been written by M. W. Bro. Daniel B. Bruen, and which he had previously been requested to read before the lodge, was delivered by him at the meeting held July 15th, for which a vote of thanks was tendered.

The 38th annual election was held December 23rd, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Oscar J. Valentine, Worshipful Master; John L. Meeker, Senior Warden; Charles Boylan, Junior Warden; Adam Hay, Treasurer; David J. Camfield, Secretary; William Pilkington, Tyler; Charles Boylan, David S. Plume and Abram Van Arsdale, Standing Committee; Abram Van Arsdale, Senior Deacon; Edward Goeller, Jr., Junior Deacon; and Jonathan Fairchild and Charles W. Lee, Stewards. The officers were duly installed at the meeting held December 30th, by Past Master Plume.

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At the meeting held February 10th "a delegation of brethren from Cæsarea Lodge, No. 64, was present for the purpose of presenting to P. M. Joseph K. Lewis, of said lodge, a Past Master's jewel, which was done by Worshipful Master Lockwood, of that lodge, with some appropriate remarks, and replied to by Past Master Lewis." Whether the presentation was made in our lodge room at the request of Wor. Bro. Lewis, it is impossible to say, but it was certainly very appropriate to select, for that purpose, the room of the lodge in which the recipient was made a Mason, as well as the actual room in which he had presided as Master, previous to the formation of Cæsarea Lodge.

At the meeting held February 17th, "a motion was made and carried, that hereafter all petitions must be signed by the petitioners."

At a special meeting held April 18th, "Worshipful Master Valentine stated that M. W. Grand Master William Silas Whitehead, having by notice in the daily papers of the city, requested the different lodges to convene this evening, Newark Lodge, in accordance with such notice, had met. A motion was made and carried that we meet in the lodge room at 1 o'clock on Wednesday, to take part in the funeral obsequies of Abraham Lincoln, late President of the United States. A motion was made and carried, that a committee of three be appointed to procure a suitable tablet in memorial of our late President of the United States, Abraham Lincoln, and that it be placed in the lodge room for thirty days." The committee performed the duty assigned to them and the tablet was placed in the lodge room on April 28th.

At the meeting held June 9th, "the committee appointed to collect funds for the Mackey reception, reported that \$250 had been collected and paid over. A receipt, acknowledging the same, from William Silas Whitehead, accompanying their report, was received, and the committee discharged with the thanks of the lodge."

R. W. Bro. Albert G. Mackey, Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina, was greatly esteemed, not only for his text books on Free Masonry, but for his charming personality. He had remained loyal to the Union during the rebellion and had especially endeared himself to the fraternity in alleviating the suffering

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of prisoners of war, at Charleston, many of whom were members of the order. A reception was tendered to him on the evening of May 31st, in St. Paul's M. E. Church, at which about thirteen hundred Masons were present, including a number of the grand and past grand officers.

Grand Master Whitehead made an extended address of welcome, in the course of which he said: "Through the four terrible years of war we have not been unmindful of you. Your name has been as familiar in our lodges as a household word and the various volumes of Masonic lore, with which you have favored the craft, have ever retained their well known authority. The lessons of loyalty and charity which you have so often inculcated, have been exemplified in your life. We owe you a debt of gratitude for the many acts of charity bestowed by you upon brethren in distress, and thank you for duty done under circumstances of great difficulty." In closing his address, he presented to Bro. Mackey a purse of \$2,000, in behalf of the Masonic fraternity of this jurisdiction, and to Mrs. Mackey silverware to the value of \$101.25.

Bro. Mackey was deeply moved and said that if guided by the feelings of his own heart, he would receive the undeserved testimonial in grateful silence, but out of respect to the large number of brethren assembled, would take the opportunity of addressing them. He pictured the horrors of the Civil War and the dreadful suffering that it caused. He told his audience that a few months after the battle of Fort Sumpter, he was only able to find two men, besides himself, who remained loyal and they formed the Union Club of Charleston. They necessarily met in secret and their membership never exceeded thirteen. He produced the identical flag made for the club and it was greeted with prolonged and enthusiastic applause.

A choir of thirty voices, under the direction of Bro. Albert G. Cann, contributed to the enjoyment of the evening.

At the meeting held November 17th, "a committee was appointed to draw up an act, to submit to the State Legislature, for the incorporation of the lodge." They submitted the proposed Act of Incorporation on December 8th, and it was approved by the Legislature in the following year.

The 39th annual election was held December 22nd, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year:

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Abram Van Arsdale, Worshipful Master; Charles Boylan, Senior Warden; Edward Goeller, Jr., Junior Warden; Adam Hay, Treasurer; David J. Camfield, Secretary; William Pilkington, Tyler; Charles Boylan, Edward Goeller, Jr., and Jonathan Fairchild, Standing Committee; Oscar J. Valentine, David S. Plume and Adam Hay, Trustees; James L. Courter, Senior Deacon; John Tunsted, Junior Deacon; and Jonathan Fairchild and Charles A. Courter, Masters of Ceremonies. The officers were duly installed at the meeting held December 29th, by Grand Master Whitehead, assisted by Grand Marshal A. L. Wilcox. The Grand Master was also accompanied by William P. Condit, Junior Grand Warden; Rev. George H. Jones, Grand Chaplain, and William Mead, Grand Lecturer.

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1866



ABRAM VAN ARSDALE

Abram Van Arsdale, our twentieth Master, was born October 21, 1832, in Peapack, New Jersey. He was raised May 4, 1858, in Union Lodge, No. 19, of New Brunswick, from which he demitted August 17, 1861, and affiliated with Newark Lodge on April 25, 1862. He served as Junior Warden in 1864, as Senior Deacon in 1865, and as Worshipful Master in 1866 and 1867. He died April 7, 1910, in the 78th year of his age.

The following resolutions, in memory of Bro. Albert H. Woodruff, who died January

4th, were adopted by the lodge:

"Whereas, it has pleased the Supreme Grand Master of the Universe, in His all-wise dispensation, to suspend from labor and remove from our midst our worthy and esteemed brother, Albert H. Woodruff; therefore, be it

"Resolved, that this lodge do receive with deep regret the intelligence of the decease of our esteemed brother;

"Resolved, that this lodge cherish with grateful recollection the memory of our deceased brother, whose zeal for the institution of Masonry has endeared him in the hearts of his brethren;

"Resolved, that in testimony of the regret of this lodge, these resolutions be recorded upon our book of minutes."

A special meeting was held February 2nd for the purpose of attending, with the Grand Lodge, the funeral of Past Grand Master Edward Stewart, who was a member of this lodge during the six years in which he occupied the Grand East, but who died in the fellowship of Eureka Lodge, No. 39. Grand Master Whitehead paid this tribute to his memory:

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"In the honorable positions which Bro. Stewart occupied, he served this Grand Lodge with zeal and fidelity. Much of the prosperity of the Masonic institution, in this jurisdiction, is attributable to his labors. He took charge of the craft at a time of great despondency and gloom, and by his energy and enthusiasm, infused new life and ambition in the brethren. He devoted a large portion of his time to the discharge of the important duties of visitation and instruction. After his retirement from office, he continued his devotion and attachment to the fraternity, so long as his health permitted him to mingle in the affairs of the craft. The latter part of his life was shrouded in deep gloom and affliction. After a long and distressing illness, he was gathered to his fathers on the 29th day of January, in the year 1866, at the age of sixty-seven years.

"The prominent trait in the character of Bro. Stewart, was his kindness and gentleness of heart. His profuse liberality knew no limit. His generosity and entire freedom from any suspicion of his fellow men were so well known, that he was not unfrequently the subject of the arts and impositions of the selfish and unscrupulous. If but a portion of those to whose wants he had contributed in the time of his prosperity, had remembered their obligations to him in the time of his adversity, the downward pathway of his life would have been smoother and attended with fewer discomforts. He was best appreciated by those who knew him best, and when he was finally released from the burdens and calamities of life, his surviving friends could only say, that

"Surely there did never live on earth
A man of kindlier nature."

At the meeting held January 26th, a committee was appointed "to ascertain and report to the lodge what a suitable testimonial would cost, the same to be presented to Bro. Adam Hay." They reported on February 2nd, that a silver pitcher and salver would cost \$60, and were authorized to procure the same. They performed their duty and at the meeting held March 2nd, "Bro. Senior Warden, in behalf of the committee, then presented, with appropriate remarks, the testimonial procured by the committee, to Bro. Adam Hay, he receiving them with grateful thanks."

At the meeting held March 16th, a committee of five was appointed to meet with committees who may be appointed by other lodges, in reference to building an Orphan and Masonic Hall, and

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the use of the lodge room was tendered for the committee meetings. This action was taken in consequence of a resolution adopted by the Grand Lodge, in January, 1865, that a committee of five be appointed by this Grand Lodge, to act in conjunction with the Committee on Masonic Hall, to report on a feasible plan for the establishment of a fund to be appropriated to the purpose of erecting a widows' and orphans' asylum in this State.

At the Grand Lodge session of January, 1866, the committee recommended that the two projects, of erecting a Masonic hall and a widows' and orphans' asylum, be united into one; that the first endeavor be exerted towards the erection of a Masonic hall, to be free from debt when completed, and that the income of such hall be invested until a fund shall have been created sufficiently large to warrant the erection of the asylum. The Grand Lodge set aside and invested \$3,000 as the nucleus of such a fund, and adopted a resolution that each subordinate lodge be requested to pay annually to the Grand Lodge, such an amount as they can conveniently raise for the object.

The indefiniteness of the proposition and the conviction, as expressed by Grand Master Whitehead, that if the Masonic hall were erected in Trenton, it "would evenuate in loss and failure," caused such apathy among the craft, that there were practically no contributions made by the subordinate lodges to the fund, and no serious action was taken in regard to the matter until 1897, when the Grand Lodge appointed a Committee on Masonic Home.

At the meeting held March 30th, "a certified copy of the act of incorporation was read and placed in charge of the Trustees, and with power, if necessary, to procure a seal." The act was as follows:

"An Act to incorporate Newark Lodge, Number Seven, Free and Accepted Masons.

"1. Be it enacted, by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey, that Daniel B. Bruen, Adam Hay, Jonathan Fairchild, Oscar J. Valentine, David S. Plume, and their successors, and all persons who now are or hereafter may be associated with them, be and they are hereby incorporated and made a body politic and corporate, in fact and in law, by the name, style and title of 'Newark Lodge, Number Seven, Free and Accepted Masons,' of

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Newark, New Jersey, and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and be able to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any court of law, or equity, or elsewhere, and shall be able and capable, in law and equity, to take and hold, to them and their successors, either by grant, gift, devise or lease, any lands or real estate, or any personal property of whatever kind soever, by gift, grant, bargain, sale, will, devise or bequest, from any person or persons whatsoever, capable of making the same, and to grant, bargain, sell or dispose of the same for the use of the said corporation, and generally to do all and singular such matters and things as may be necessary for the well-being and proper management of the affairs of the said corporation, not contrary to the laws of this State or of the United States.

“2. And be it enacted, that it shall be lawful for the said corporation to have a common seal, and to change, alter and renew the same at their will and pleasure.

“3. And be it enacted, that the government of said corporation and the management and disposition of its affairs and property, shall be vested in a board of trustees, who shall be elected annually, at such time and in such manner as the said corporation shall, by its by-laws, provide; at the first meeting of the trustees, after their election in each year, they shall select from among themselves, a president, secretary and treasurer.

“4. And be it enacted, that this act shall take effect immediately. Approved February 8, 1866.”

A number of applications had been made to the legislature for acts to incorporate subordinate lodges, and at the next session of the Grand Lodge, the subject was very exhaustively presented in the address of Grand Master Whitehead. He called attention to the fact that when a lodge is incorporated, it submits itself and its concerns to the supervision and control of the courts of law, and cited cases in which the courts had overruled the action of incorporated societies, in regard to suspension or expulsion of members, and had ordered their restoration to membership. In incorporated societies courts of law have the power to inquire into and adjudicate upon the right of a member to an office. A defeated candidate for the office of Master, instead of appealing to the Grand Lodge, might appeal to the courts of law, which would have power to eject his

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opponent and place him in office. A judge, when considering questions which may arise in connection with an incorporated lodge, would regard the case from a different stand-point than that from which a Mason would view it. He would see before him a citizen who had acquired certain rights in an incorporated company, which rights the law is bound to protect. The application of the rules of law would be subversive of the true principles of Masonic government and inimical to the prosperity of the institution. It would sweep away the appellate jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge and subordinate the Masonic to the civil authorities. The Grand Master concluded that the practice was fraught with great danger and should be discountenanced. He recommended that if it became necessary, for the purpose of holding the title to real estate or investing money, that an incorporated company should be created, some association outside of and independent of the lodge should be chartered. While courts would have control over the body thus chartered, they would have no control over, or right of interference with the affairs of the lodge itself.

The Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom the matter was referred, recommended that the Grand Lodge institute proceedings to induce the subordinate lodges that had become incorporated, to have the acts repealed and substitute therefor acts incorporating boards of trustees, when such are necessary.

The matter was again brought before the Grand Lodge in 1878, when Grand Master Smith presented, for approval, a decision that "The incorporation of lodges, which makes them practically independent of the Grand Lodge, is prohibited." In presenting this decision, he said, "this subject has been brought into view by the difficulties with which one of the lodges of this jurisdiction is now surrounded, in consequence of its being a corporation in the eyes of the civil law."

He then quoted part of Grand Master Whitehead's address of 1867, and said, "I will only add a fact that some of you will recollect, although it is not a matter of record, that for such reasons as the above, this Grand Lodge, some years ago, decided not to seek incorporation. The subordinate lodge can, therefore, have no legal status which will entitle it to outrank or exist independently of the Grand Lodge."

The above is somewhat amusing in view of the *actual fact* that, on March 7, 1866, the legislature of this State approved an act to

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incorporate "The Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of New Jersey," in which the name of William Silas Whitehead heads the list of incorporators.

It may interest the reader to learn that the fact of such Grand Lodge incorporation had become so entirely forgotten, that the title to the Masonic Home property, at Burlington, was originally taken in the individual names of the committee, and when they held a meeting in Newark to consider the question of incorporation, in order to properly hold that real estate, Wor. Bro. Weeks, who was present in the capacity of secretary to Grand Master Fortmeyer, was severely ridiculed when he inquired why the existing act of incorporation was not sufficient, and was told very emphatically, by the chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence, that the Grand Lodge was not incorporated; but just the same, copies of the act were sent the next day to the members of the committee, and no further incorporation was sought.

The approval of Grand Master Smith's decision led to the passage of an act by the legislature, on March 12, 1878, providing means by which the incorporation of a benevolent or charitable association might be dissolved, and during that year Newark Lodge took advantage of the act and ceased to exist as a corporation.

A special meeting was held May 15th, at which "the Worshipful Master stated the lodge had been convened for the purpose of taking action on the proposed turning out on Thursday next. The M. W. Grand Master being present before the opening of the lodge, said he had not the power to grant the lodges the privilege of turning out at civic celebrations. On motion of the Senior Warden, that we meet in our room on Thursday morning next, at 8:30 o'clock, and turn out, without regalia, as citizens, was carried." While this entry is rather indefinite, a reference to the daily papers shows that the object in turning out was to take part, on May 17th, in the public celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the settlement of Newark.

At the meeting held November 2nd, a committee was appointed "to procure a suitable testimonial to be presented to the Secretary," and on November 9th, the minutes show that "Bro. Charles Boylan, Senior Warden, officiating as Worshipful Master, with some flattering remarks, presented to the astonished Secretary,

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a beautiful present, and by him received with grateful thanks to the brothers." There is nothing to indicate the nature of the present, but a "bill of Albert Helbig, for the present to the Secretary, amounting to \$70 was ordered paid." It was undoubtedly silverware, as Bro. Helbig was engaged in that line of business.

The 40th annual election was held December 21st and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Abram Van Arsdale, Worshipful Master; Charles Boylan, Senior Warden; James L. Courter, Junior Warden; Adam Hay, Treasurer; David J. Canfield, Secretary; William Pilkington, Tyler; Charles Boylan, Jonathan Fairchild and James L. Courter, Standing Committee; and Oscar J. Valentine, Trustee for three years. The officers were installed by Past Master Valentine, on the evening of December 27th, at a gathering of the members, with their wives and daughters, for the purpose of conferring the Eastern Star degree, and at the regular meeting held the next evening, the following subordinate officers were appointed: Jonathan Fairchild, Senior Deacon; George M. Ryno, Junior Deacon; Rev. Horace Harris, Chaplain; and Charles A. Courter and Simeon J. Van Winkle, Masters of Ceremonies.

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The officers of Americus Lodge, No. 535, of New York, paid a fraternal visit on the evening of January 18th and conferred the degree of Master Mason.

At the meeting held March 29th, the committee which had been appointed at a previous meeting "to receive donations for the brethren at Portland, reported that they had sent \$126 and had received the following in reply:"

"Grand Lodge of Maine, Office of the Grand Master,

Portland, Maine, March 22nd, 1867.

*"Charles Boylan, Chairman of Committee, Newark Lodge, No. 7,
F. & A. M., Newark, N. J.:*

"Dear Sir and Brother:

"Your esteemed favor of March 6th was received several days since. Official duties have prevented an earlier response, a delay which, I hope, you will excuse. I desire to return to you my sincere thanks for your kind and fraternal efforts in the matter, and to express through you, to the members of your lodge, for myself and in behalf of our unfortunate brethren, unfeigned gratitude for this generous donation and friendly remembrance of those in misfortune. May this act of true Masonic charity be of lasting benefit to donors as well as recipients.

Truly and fraternally,

TIMOTHY J. MURRY,

Grand Master."

This donation was made to relieve the distress caused by one of the most disastrous conflagrations that had ever visited the New England States. It occurred in Portland, Maine, on July 4, 1866, rendering thousands of persons homeless, and destroying the Masonic Halls with all their contents.

At the meeting held May 3rd, "a communication was received and ordered on file, from Cherokee Lodge, No. 66, Rome, Georgia, and a donation of \$50 ordered," and a letter of acknowledgment from that lodge, was read May 24th. The letters referred to are not on file and there is nothing to indicate the purpose for which the donation was made.

At the meeting held May 24th "by a unanimous vote of the lodge, P. G. M. Daniel B. Bruen was solicited to sit for his picture,

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to be placed in this lodge.” He made the following reply to the notification of the Secretary:

“Newark, May 29, 1867.

“*D. J. Camfield, Secretary:*

“Dear Sir and Brother:—Your note of the 25th, informing me that Newark Lodge, by unanimous vote, had requested me to sit for a picture to be placed in the lodge, I most highly appreciate. My association with Newark Lodge, from its first formation until the present time, although for many years its success caused me great anxiety, has afforded me some of the most cherished social intercourse of my life, and although my connection with the institution has been of fifty years duration, yet the kindly grip and greeting of my brethren of Newark Lodge, when I visit that body, awakens all the freshness of feeling that I felt when first connected with the order. My three-score and ten years have run out. I am now living on borrowed time and the time is short before my cherished associations with Newark Lodge must be severed. Thanking Newark Lodge for the kind manner and unexpected compliment paid to me, I cheerfully comply with their request and await their instruction in carrying out the object of the resolution.

Fraternally yours,

DANIEL B. BRUEN.”

The picture was painted and received by the lodge on September 27th, and “the bill of E. R. Stoutenburg & Co., for likeness and frame, amounting to \$70, was paid.”

At the meeting held September 27th, a committee was appointed “to make the necessary arrangements to have the Eastern Star degree conferred in this room, on Thursday evening next.” They reported on October 11th, “that the same was conferred on the evening appointed, satisfactorily to those present.”

At the meeting held November 1st, the committee which had been appointed at a previous meeting, “to procure a suitable safe for the lodge, reported that a fire proof safe could be built in the room at a cost of about \$240.” A committee was “then appointed to obtain permission from the officers of the bank to have the safe built.” The safe or vault was constructed at a cost of \$302.93. It was high enough to enable a person to enter and stand erect and afforded ample accommodations for all of the records and documents of the lodge, as well as for those of our tenants.

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The 41st annual election was held December 27th and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Charles Boylan, Worshipful Master; James L. Courter, Senior Warden; Charles W. Lee, Junior Warden; Adam Hay, Treasurer; David J. Camfield, Secretary; William Pilkington, Tyler; Adam Hay, Trustee for three years; James L. Courter, Charles W. Lee and John E. Steeple, Finance Committee; Jonathan Fairchild, Senior Deacon; Edward Goeller, Jr., Junior Deacon; John P. Mecluer and Hugh Kinnard, Masters of Ceremonies; and Sylvester P. Case, Chaplain. The officers were then duly installed by Past Master Van Arsdale.

1868



CHARLES BOYLAN

Charles Boylan, our twenty-first Master, was born March 4, 1829, in New York City. He was raised in Newark Lodge, on November 17, 1854, by dispensation from the Grand Master, becoming a Mason at large, and affiliated with Newark Lodge on February 2, 1855. He demitted August 15, 1856, and again affiliated on February 25, 1859. He served as Senior Deacon in 1863 and 1864, as Junior Warden in 1865, as Senior Warden in 1866 and 1867, and as Worshipful Master in 1868 and 1869. He died November 9, 1870, in the 42nd year of his age.

After the close of the Civil War the various lodges were constantly importuned by strangers for relief, some of them being undoubtedly regular Masons, but very many of them imposters, and contributions were frequently made to undeserving men by reason of the difficulty involved in determining the standing of the applicants. In order to guard, to some extent, against fraud, the lodges of this city organized a Masonic board of relief, on May 18th, composed of two delegates from each lodge, from among whom the following first officers were chosen: William B. Glasby, of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, President; Eugene A. Bleything, of St. Alban's Lodge, No. 68, Vice-President; Augustus Pruyn, of Newark Lodge, No. 7, Secretary; and Charles H. Ingalls, of Eureka Lodge, No. 39, Treasurer. Appropriations, equal of ten cents for each member, were made by the various lodges and placed in the hands of the board, in order to provide a fund from which to relieve the distress of those not connected with any of the lodges of the city, who might have a just claim on Masonic charity. The affairs of the board were at first very conscientiously managed, but after the lapse of a number of years, more careless methods of distributing relief pre-

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vailed and on April 4, 1879, Newark Lodge finally felt constrained to withdraw. During the eleven years in which we were represented in the board of relief, this lodge contributed through it the sum of \$244.05 to relieve those whose only claim on us was membership in the great Masonic brotherhood.

In the early part of this year a course of lectures on physiology was delivered before the lodge by Bro. James G. Webster, one of our members, for which an appropriation of \$25 was made to him.

At the meeting held July 31st a committee was "appointed to meet with committees that might be appointed from the several Masonic bodies of the city, respecting the building of a Masonic hall," and at the meeting held November 27th, "the trustees were empowered to subscribe towards the Masonic hall for shares to cover the amount of funds in their hands." Unfortunately the several Masonic bodies were unable to agree either upon a site, of which several very desirable ones were offered, or upon the kind of a building to be erected, and a project which would have enriched the Masonic fraternity of Newark, through the great increase in real estate values, came to naught.

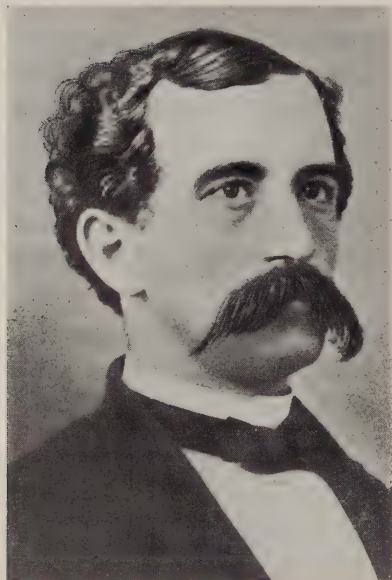
In the latter part of this year a contribution of \$50 was made toward a fund for the education of the orphans of deceased Masons of North Carolina, and \$25 toward the erection of an orphan's home in Mississippi.

The 42nd annual election was held December 25th, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Charles Boylan, Worshipful Master; James L. Courter, Senior Warden; Charles W. Lee, Junior Warden; Adam Hay, Treasurer; David J. Camfield, Secretary; Abram Van Arsdale, Trustee for three years; William Pilkington, Tyler; James L. Courter, Charles W. Lee and John E. Steeple, Finance Committee; William R. Moses, Senior Deacon; William A. Reeve, Junior Deacon; Robert W. Chapman, Senior Master of Ceremonies; George M. Harris, Junior Master of Ceremonies; and Sylvester P. Case, Chaplain. The officers were then duly installed by Past Master Van Arsdale.

1869

The 43rd annual election was held December 26th, 1869, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: James L. Courter, Worshipful Master; Charles W. Lee, Senior Warden; William R. Moses, Junior Warden; Adam Hay, Treasurer; David J. Camfield, Secretary; Robert W. Chapman, Senior Deacon; Charles H. Edwards, Junior Deacon; Charles Belcher, Jr., and Christopher A. Hosfield, Masters of Ceremonies; Oscar J. Valentine, P. M., Abram Van Arsdale, P. M. and Adam Hay, Trustees; Sylvester P. Case, Chaplain; and Simon J. Van Winkle, Tyler.

1870



JAMES L. COURTER

James L. Courter, our twenty-second Master, was a resident of Newark for a number of years. He was raised in Newark Lodge on June 16th, 1865. He was engaged in the Mercantile Collecting business with the Snow Church Co., for many years. Shortly after he served as Master, he removed to Philadelphia. He often visited his lodge, notwithstanding the distance he had to travel, and for many years, was always with his brethren at the Grand Lodge. His happy greeting was always looked for and his companionship always enjoyed by every member who

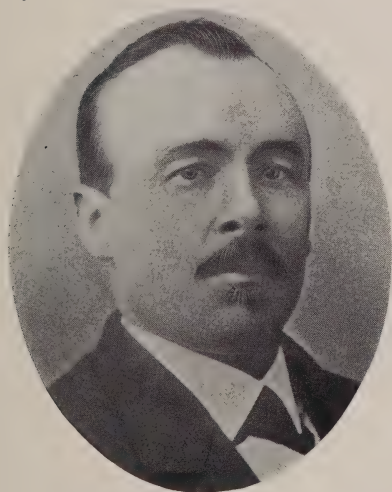
knew him, and for many years, up to the time that he passed away, he was at the head of the list as the oldest Past Master. He served as Junior Warden in 1866 and 1867, as Senior Warden in 1868 and 1869, and as Worshipful Master in 1870 and 1871. He died in Philadelphia, and his remains were brought to Newark, where the lodge buried him with full Masonic honors.

1871

The 44th annual election was held December 27th, 1870, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: James L. Courter, Worshipful Master; Edward Goeller, Jr., Senior Warden; John Hastings, Junior Warden; David J. Camfield, Secretary; Adam Hay, Treasurer; Charles Belcher, Jr., Senior Deacon; William A. Kipp, Junior Deacon; Christopher A. Hosfield and Charles H. Edwards, Masters of Ceremonies; Sylvester P. Case, Chaplain; and William Pilkington, Tyler.

The 45th annual election was held December 29th, 1871, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Edward Goeller, Jr., Worshipful Master; John Hastings, Senior Warden; Charles Belcher, Jr., Junior Warden; Adam Hay, Treasurer; David J. Camfield, Secretary; Christopher A. Hosfield, Senior Deacon; William Deaz, Junior Deacon; Willis S. Oviatt and John W. Baird, Masters of Ceremonies; William D. Cowan, Chaplain; and William Pilkington, Tyler.

1872



EDWARD GOELLER, JR.

Edward Goeller, Jr., our twenty-third Master, was raised June 17, 1864, in Newark Lodge. He served as Junior Deacon in 1865, as Junior Warden in 1866, as Junior Deacon in 1868, as Senior Warden in 1871, and as Worshipful Master in 1872, 1873 and 1876. He was also actively interested in other branches of Masonry, having served as High Priest of Union Chapter and Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Chapter of New Jersey, also as Master of Kane Council and Grand Master of the Grand

Council of Royal and Select Masters of this State.

Bro. Goeller was born July 29, 1840, in Stuttgart, Germany, and came to this country about 1854. After working for a short

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time on a farm near Morristown, he removed to this city and engaged in the provision business, in Centre Market, which he conducted until his death. When he arrived in this country he was entirely ignorant of our language, but ten years later, when he united with Newark Lodge, there was little, except his name, to suggest foreign birth. As Master of the lodge, his work probably conformed more closely to the standard than that of any other Master of his day. This enabled him, with his proficiency in the German language, to render extremely valuable service to the Grand Lodge, as Deputy to the German lodges, which position he occupied in 1876, 1877 and 1878.

He was a staunch Democrat in politics and although a resident of a doubtful ward, served for fourteen years as its representative on the Board of Education, and through his efficiency and personality became so highly esteemed by his Republican colleagues, who were in the majority, that they elected him as President, an honor that he appreciated to the full extent. In 1893, he was chosen President of the Common Council, after defeating his Republican opponent for Alderman, by an overwhelming majority, at the previous election, and occupied that office at the time of his death.

He died May 7, 1894, in the 54th year of his age. At the funeral service, which was held at the Central M. E. Church, Rev. Henry Spellmeyer referred in glowing terms to the high and honorable character of the deceased; that his whole public career showed not a blemish and was in keeping with his private life; that he aimed to represent his party without compromising his convictions, which he did with distinguished honor; and closed his remarks by saying: "He was a straight-forward and clean-handed man, whose death is a public loss."

The burial was in Fairmount Cemetery, where his remains were laid to their final rest by Newark Lodge. The musical part of the services at the Church and grave was rendered by the Arion Quartette, and the numerous floral tributes attested the esteem in which he was held by the community.

1873

The 46th annual election was held December 27th, 1872, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Edward Goeller, Jr., Worshipful Master; John Hastings, Senior Warden; John P. McClure, Junior Warden; Adam Hay, Treasurer; David J. Camfield, Secretary; Christopher A. Hosfield, Senior Deacon; William Deaz, Junior Deacon; Charles E. Weeks and John V. H. Ditmars, Masters of Ceremonies; William D. Cowan, Chaplain; and William Pilkington, Tyler.

The 47th annual election was held December 16th, 1873, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: John Hastings, Worshipful Master; Charles E. Weeks, Senior Warden; William A. Kipp, Junior Warden; Adam Hay, Treasurer; Daniel J. Camfield, Secretary; Edwin A. Waterbury, Senior Deacon; William H. Hoagland, Junior Deacon; Samuel Matthews and James E. Cook, Masters of Ceremonies; William D. Cowan, Chaplain; and Charles L. Pierson, Tyler.

1874



JOHN HASTINGS

John Hastings, our twenty-fourth Master, was raised in Newark Lodge on the 28th day of February, 1860. There is nothing on record showing his line of business, and none of the living members seem to remember him, as he died February 12, 1876, the year following his second term as Master. On the Minute Book of the lodge, we find a set of resolutions "regretting his death," and commenting upon his "genial presence, which was greatly appreciated and would long be remembered by his brethren."

1875

The 48th annual election was held December 18th, 1874, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: John Hastings, Worshipful Master; John P. McClure, Senior War-

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den; William A. Kipp, Junior Warden; Adam Hay, Treasurer; David J. Camfield, Secretary; Edwin J. Waterbury, Senior Deacon; William Hoagland, Junior Deacon; John O'Connor and James E. Cook, Masters of Ceremonies; William D. Cowan, Chaplain; and Charles L. Pierson, Tyler.

1876

The 49th annual election was held December 17th, 1875, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Edward Goeller, Jr., P. M., re-elected Worshipful Master; William A. Kipp, Senior Warden; Edwin A. Waterbury, Junior Warden; Adam Hay, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; William A. Reeve, Senior Deacon; William Deaz, Junior Deacon; Samuel Mathers and James R. Hutchinson, Masters of Ceremonies; and Charles L. Pierson, Tyler.

1877

The 50th annual election was held December 22nd, 1876, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: William A. Kipp, Worshipful Master; Edwin A. Waterbury, Senior Warden; Charles Belcher, Jr., Junior Warden; Adam Hay, Treasurer; Chas. E. Weeks, Secretary; Jas. H. Hutchinson, Senior Deacon; Jacob DeVausney, Junior Deacon; Samuel Mathers and Wm. F. Lawson, Masters of Ceremonies; and Chas. L. Pierson, Tyler.

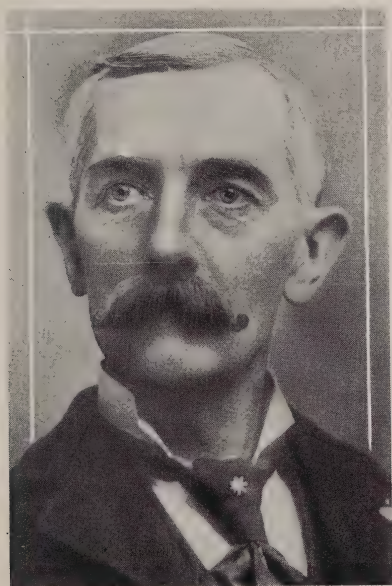


William Anthony Kipp, our twenty-fifth Master, was born June 18, 1841, in Hanover, Germany. He was raised in Newark Lodge on July 29th, 1870. He served as Junior Deacon in 1871, as Junior Warden in 1874 and 1875, as Senior Warden in 1876, and as Worshipful Master in 1877. He died June 18th, 1896, on his 55th birthday.

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The 51st annual election was held December 21st, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Edwin A. Waterbury, Worshipful Master; Charles Belcher, Jr., Senior Warden; George H. Parkinson, Junior Warden; Alfred Ridler, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; James R. Hutchinson, Senior Deacon; Jacob DeVausney, Junior Deacon; Samuel Mathers and George Allen, Masters of Ceremonies; and Charles L. Pierson, Tyler.

1878



EDWIN A. WATERBURY

Edwin A. Waterbury, our twenty-sixth Master, was raised in Newark Lodge on October 24th, 1873. He had been engaged in the mining industry and employed by the Anaconda Copper Mining Company, at Montana, for a good many years. He has retained his membership in Newark Lodge, and up to the time of writing, he is our **OLDEST LIVING PAST MASTER**. It was during his first term as Master and at his suggestion, that a motion was made that "hereafter a Lamb Skin Apron be presented to every candidate, for him to take home as his property,"

in accordance with the ritualistic work. He has many times been mentioned and commented upon for being a very able and competent man with the work of the lodge, and many regrets have been expressed because he moved so far away from Newark. He served as Senior Deacon in 1874 and 1875, as Junior Warden in 1876, as Senior Warden in 1877, and Worshipful Master in 1878 and 1879.

1879

The 52nd annual election was held December 17th, 1878, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Edwin A. Waterbury, Worshipful Master; Charles Belcher, Jr., Senior Warden; James R. Hutchinson, Junior Warden; Alfred Rid-

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ler, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; William Shurte, Senior Deacon; William F. Lawson, Junior Deacon; George Allen and Theodore Rose, Masters of Ceremonies; and Lawrence Boylan, Tyler.

The 53rd annual election was held December 18th, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Charles Belcher, Jr., Worshipful Master; James R. Hutchinson, Senior Warden; William Shurte, Junior Warden; Alfred Ridler, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; Stephen P. Belcher, Senior Deacon; William F. Lawson, Junior Deacon; Theodore Rose and James Robinson, Masters of Ceremonies; and Lawrence Boylan, Tyler.

1880



CHARLES BELCHER, JR.

Charles Belcher, Jr., our twenty-seventh Master, was raised in Newark Lodge on the first day of May, 1868. He was appointed

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District Deputy, elected Junior Grand Warden and later elected Grand Master of the State of New Jersey.

Most Worshipful Brother Belcher had a long and active career in Masonry. He was Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, and Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters. He was a man of strong convictions and one of the best posted Masons in New Jersey. He was looked upon as an authority on Masonic law for many years. He received his early schooling in Newark, and was engaged for many years in the ornamental stained glass business. He died February 20, 1904, in the 60th year of his age, and was buried in Irvington, N. J., by the Grand Lodge, Newark Lodge acting as escort to the Grand Lodge.

On the 26th day of September, 1881, in accordance with a resolution adopted September 23rd, 1881, about fifty of the brethren assembled in the lodge room, at 1 o'clock P. M., and participated, together with other Masonic Lodges in a Memorial Parade in honor of our late President James A. Garfield.

1881

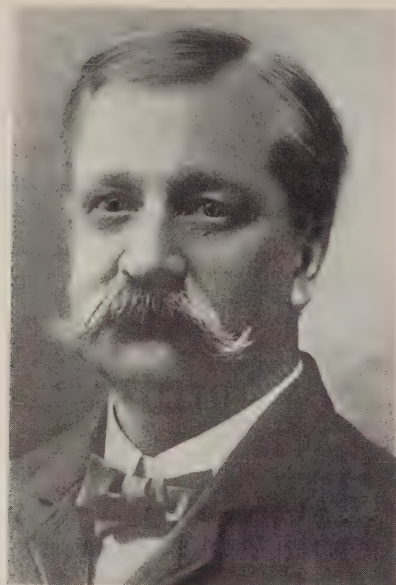
The 54th annual election was held December 17th, 1880, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Charles Belcher, Jr., Worshipful Master; Stephen P. Belcher, Senior Warden; Ebenezer W. Davis, Junior Warden; Alfred Ridler, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; Robert W. Chapman, Senior Deacon; George M. Rino, Junior Deacon; James Robinson and Jacob DeVausney, Masters of Ceremonies; Edward Goeller, P. M., Chaplain; and Lawrence Boylan, Tyler.

1882

The 55th annual election was held December 13th, 1881, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: James R. Hutchinson, Worshipful Master; William Shurte, Senior Warden; James Robinson, Junior Warden; George Allen, Senior Deacon; W. G. Schmitt, Junior Deacon; Alfred Ridler, Treasurer;

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Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; Uriah Keve and Harry L. H. Boylan, Masters of Ceremonies; and Lawrence Boylan, Tyler.

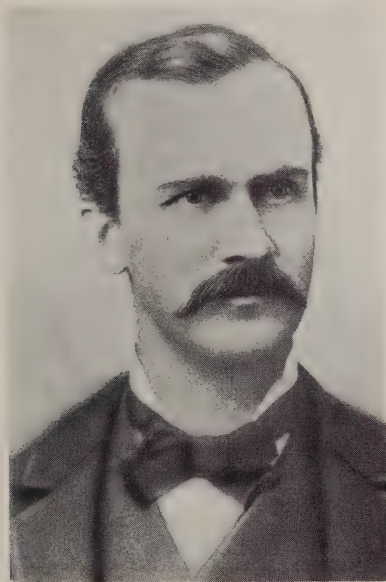


JAMES ROBERT HUTCHINSON

James Robert Hutchinson, our twenty-eighth Master, was born December 27, 1846, in Edinburgh, Scotland. He was raised on June 4, 1875, in Newark Lodge. He served as Junior Master of Ceremonies in 1876, as Senior Deacon in 1877 and 1878, as Junior Warden in 1879, as Senior Warden in 1880, as Worshipful Master in 1882, and as Senior Deacon in 1889. He died August 12, 1903, in the 57th year of his age.

1883

The 56th annual election was held December 12th, 1882, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Stephen P. Belcher, Worshipful Master; Robert W. Chapman, Senior Warden; Merrick Martin, Junior Warden; George H. Parkinson, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; Allen L. Bassett, Senior Deacon; Harry L. Boylan, Junior Deacon; Charles H. Edwards and Samuel Newton, Masters of Ceremonies; and Lawrence Boylan, Tyler.



STEPHEN P. BELCHER

Stephen P. Belcher, our twenty-ninth Master, was born July 6, 1846, in Camp-town, N. J. He was raised in Newark Lodge on the 13th day of August, 1869. He served as Senior Deacon in 1880, as Senior Warden in 1881, and as Worshipful Master in 1883 and 1884. He was a very good Master and was commented upon many times for his excellent capabilities. He was employed by the Prudential Insurance Company for many years. His membership ceased November 8th, 1901.

1884

The 57th annual election was held December 11th, 1883, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Stephen P. Belcher, Worshipful Master; Robert W. Chapman, Senior Warden; Merrick Martin, Junior Warden; George H. Parkinson, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; Theodore De Gue Palmer, Senior Deacon; Harry L. H. Boylan, Junior Deacon; George M. Ryno and David Povey, Masters of Ceremonies; and Lawrence Boylan, Tyler.

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1885

The 58th annual election was held December 16th, 1884, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Robert W. Chapman, Worshipful Master; Merrick Martin, Senior Warden; George M. Tyno, Junior Warden; George H. Parkinson, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; Harry L. H. Boylan, Senior Deacon; David Povey, Junior Deacon; William G. Schmitt and William J. Slonn, Masters of Ceremonies; and Lawrence Boylan, Tyler.

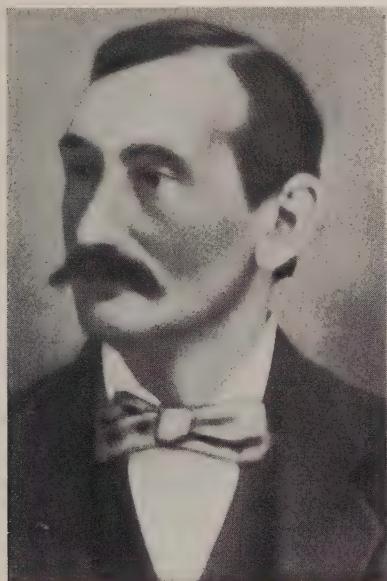


ROBERT W. CHAPMAN

Robert W. Chapman, our thirtieth Master, was born August 17, 1843, in County Wicklow, Ireland. He was raised in Newark Lodge on the 22nd day of February, 1867. He served as Senior Deacon in 1881, as Senior Warden in 1883 and 1884, and as Worshipful Master in 1885, and as Junior Warden in 1888. He died August 29th, 1905, in the 63rd year of his age.

1886

The 59th annual election was held December 18th, 1885, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Merrick Martin, Worshipful Master; William Shurte, Senior Warden; William G. Schmitt, Junior Warden; George Parkinson, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; George C. Plume, Senior Deacon; David Povey, Junior Deacon; A. Frez and W. V. Ruckelshaw, Masters of Ceremonies; and Lawrence Boylan, Tyler.



MERRICK MARTIN

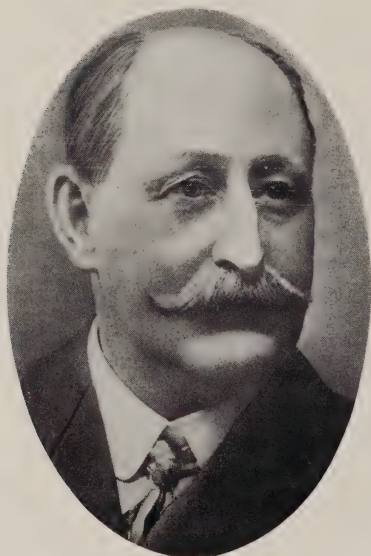
Merrick Martin, our thirty-first Master, was born June 16, 1846, in Middlesex County, New Jersey. He was raised December 16, 1867, in Lafayette Lodge, No. 27, from which he demitted December 15, 1879, and affiliated with Newark Lodge, February 20, 1880. He served as Junior Warden in 1883 and 1884, as Senior Warden in 1885, as Worshipful Master in 1886 and 1887, and as Senior Master of Ceremonies in 1888. He disappeared suddenly November 17, 1894, from this city, and has never been heard from since.

1887

The 60th annual election was held December 17th, 1886, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Merrick Martin, Worshipful Master; William Shurte, Senior Warden; William G. Schmitt, Junior Warden; George H. Parkinson, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; Robert W. Chapman, P. M., Chaplain; George C. Plume, Senior Deacon; David Povey, Junior Deacon; A. Trey and J. H. Vreeland, Masters of Ceremonies; and Lawrence Boylan, Tyler.

1888

The 61st annual election was held December 13th, 1887, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: William Shurte, Worshipful Master; Edwin A. Waterbury, P. M., Senior Warden; Robert W. Chapman, P. M., Junior Warden; George H. Parkinson, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; Elmer E. Smith, Senior Deacon; David Povey, Junior Deacon; Merrick Martin, P. M. and Edward B. Jacobs, Masters of Ceremonies; Edward Goeller, P. M., Chaplain; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Lawrence Boylan, Tyler.



WILLIAM SHURTE

William Shurte, our thirty-second Master, was born at Pompton, N. J., on August 29, 1851, and schooled at the Newark Academy. He was raised in Newark Lodge on the 24th day of May, 1878. He was employed in the grocery business as bookkeeper and salesman with Deen's Grocery Store. Later he became bookkeeper and sales manager for the Blackmore Company, dealers in artists' supplies, where he was employed for sixteen years. He left there to take charge of the shipping and receiving of all goods coming in and going out of the J. G. Hetzel Estate. Worshipful Bro. Shurte

was a man of great memory and a good Masonic scholar, and his ability for handling things was fully appreciated by Newark Lodge and other Masonic bodies. The records show he was for many years High Priest of Union Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, and for five years he was Master of Kane Council, Royal and Select Masters. He was elected Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Master Masons at Trenton. He was principal conductor of work of Kane Council for many years, and held this office up to the time of his death. He was a man of fine personality and his death brought many regrets. He served as Senior Deacon in 1879,

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Junior Warden in 1880, Senior Warden in 1882, 1886 and 1887, and as Worshipful Master in 1888, 1889 and 1890, and as Senior Deacon again in 1891 and 1892.

1889

The 62nd annual election was held December 14th, 1888, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: William Shurte, Worshipful Master; George M. Ryno, Senior Warden; Elmer E. Smith, Junior Warden, George H. Parkinson, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; David Povey, Junior Deacon; Merrick Martin, P. M. and Edward B. Jacobs, Masters of Ceremonies; Edward Goeller, P. M., Chaplain; and Lawrence Boylan, Tyler.

1890

The 63rd annual election was held December 15th, 1889, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: William Shurte, Worshipful Master; Elmer E. Smith, Senior Warden; William A. Reeve, Junior Warden; George H. Parkinson, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; David Povey, Junior Deacon; Merrick Martin, P. M. and Edward B. Jacobs, Masters of Ceremonies; Edward Goeller, P. M., Chaplain; and Lawrence Boylan, Tyler.

1891

The 64th annual election was held December 16th, 1890, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Elmer E. Smith, Worshipful Master; William A. Reeve, Senior Warden; George W. Dimond, Junior Warden; George H. Parkinson, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; Robert W. Chapman, Chaplain; George W. Dimond, Senior Deacon; A. F. Weisgerber, Junior Deacon; William G. Schmitt and Robert B. Mapletoft, Masters of Ceremonies; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.



ELMER E. SMITH

Elmer E. Smith, our thirty-third Master, was born March 22, 1861, in Saugatuck, Connecticut. He was raised in Newark Lodge on the 27th day of October, 1882. He served as Senior Deacon in 1888, as Junior Warden in 1889, as Senior Warden in 1890, and as Worshipful Master in 1891, 1892 and 1893. In the Grand Lodge of New Jersey he served as Junior Grand Deacon in 1895, 1896 and 1897, and as District Deputy in 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901 and 1902. He later removed to Connecticut, and our records do not show where he now resides, he having dropped his membership.

1892

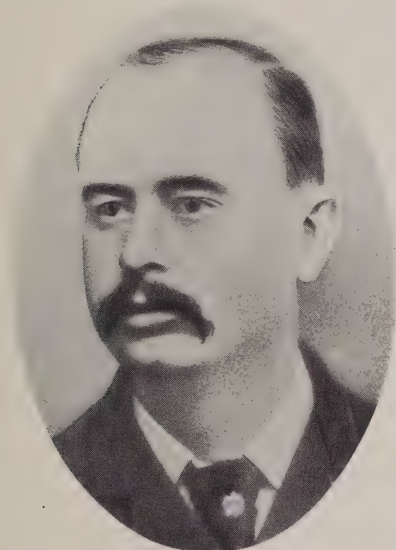
The 65th annual election was held December, 1891, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Elmer E. Smith, Worshipful Master; George W. Dimond, Junior Warden; George H. Parkinson, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; Robert W. Chapman, P. M., Chaplain; G. W. Dimond, Senior Deacon; Adolf F. Weisgerber, Junior Deacon; William G. Schmitt and Robert B. Mapletoft, Masters of Ceremonies; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.

1893

The 66th annual election was held December 18th, 1892, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Elmer E. Smith, Worshipful Master; George W. Dimond, Senior Warden; William D. Traphagen, Junior Warden; Charles Belcher, Jr., P. M., Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; Frederick Legan, Senior Deacon; I. H. Munn, Junior Deacon; William G. Schmitt and M. T. Heageney, Masters of Ceremonies; Robert W. Chapman, P. M., Chaplain; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.

1894

The 67th annual election was held December 19th, 1893, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: George W. Dimond, Worshipful Master; Benjamin M. Skinner, Senior Warden; Theodore D. Palmer, Junior Warden; Charles Belcher, Jr., P. M., Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; Robert W. Chapman, P. M., Chaplain; Adolph F. Weisgerber, Senior Deacon; Isaac H. Munn, Junior Deacon; M. T. Heageney and D. V. Martin, Masters of Ceremonies; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.

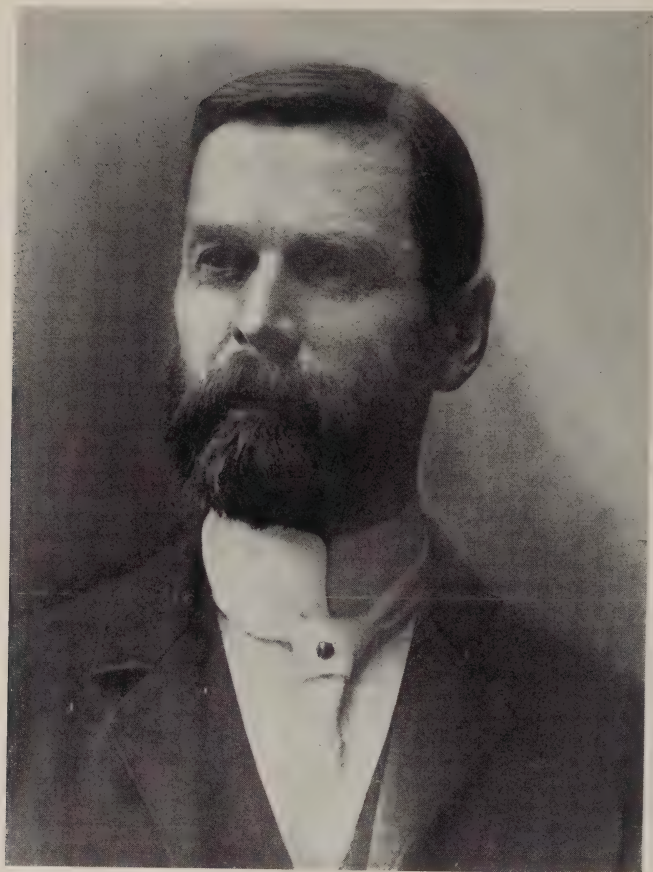


GEORGE W. DIMOND

George W. Dimond, our thirty-fourth Master, was born November 11, 1853, in Philadelphia, Pa. He was raised on the 8th day of March, 1889, in Newark Lodge. He served as Junior Warden in 1891, as Senior Warden in 1892 and 1893, as Worshipful Master in 1894 and 1895, and as Secretary in 1896 and 1897. Later he demitted.

1895

The 68th annual election was held December 20th, 1894, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: George W. Dimond, Worshipful Master; Benjamin M. Skinner, Senior Warden; Isaac H. Munn, Junior Warden; Alfred Ridler, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, Secretary; Robert W. Chapman, P. M., Chaplain; Adolph F. Weisgerber, Senior Deacon; William G. Schmitt, Junior Deacon; Robert B. Mapletoft and George M. Vogle, Masters of Ceremonies; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.



CHARLES E. WEEKS
Secretary and Historian.

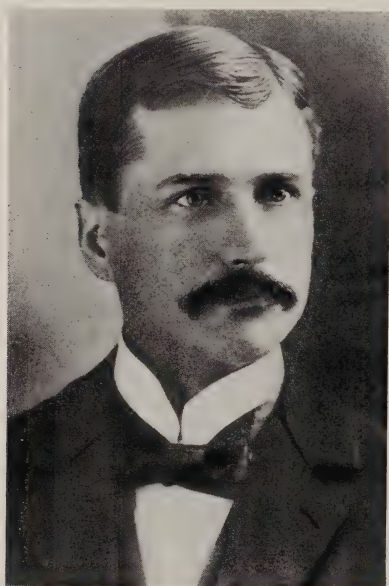
1896

The 69th annual election was held December 15th, 1895, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Charles E. Weeks, Worshipful Master; Adolph F. Weisgerber, Senior Warden; Isaac H. Munn, Junior Warden; Alfred Ridler, Treasurer; George W. Dimond, P. M., Secretary; Robert W. Chapman, P. M., Chaplain; William H. Haworth, Senior Deacon; Andrew F. Haufler, Junior Deacon; John C. Hutlinger and James J. Allen, Masters of Ceremonies; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.

CHARLES E. WEEKS, our thirty-fifth Master, was born in Newark, New Jersey, on November 27, 1850, and was raised in Newark Lodge, July 19, 1872. He served as Secretary from 1876 to 1895, and was Worshipful Master in 1896, and was re-elected Secretary in 1897. He was Secretary of Union Chapter and Kane Council for many years, and had the distinction of being Secretary to Grand Masters Belcher and Fortmayer. He was commented upon many times as being one of the most proficient Secretaries in the State, and the Grand Secretary stated in the Grand Lodge many times, that Wor. Bro. Weeks rendered the most prompt and accurate records of lodge transactions than any Secretary in the State of New Jersey. He was a lawyer by profession, being admitted to the New Jersey Bar in 1878. He had charge of the Mortgage Department of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company for many, many years. He was well known for his ability and accuracy in detail in all matters pertaining to business and the Lodge, and was considered a good authority on Masonic law, for he kept himself well posted right up to the time of his death. He was appointed Historian of Newark Lodge in 1902, at which time he stated that he would undertake compiling a History of the Lodge if Wor. Bro. Blackmore, would become his assistant; and thus the work of the History of Newark Lodge, No. 7, was started, and up to the time of his death, Bro. Weeks and Bro. Blackmore worked together. After his death, the burden of this work fell on Bro. Blackmore, who has been working from time to time to complete the work of the One Hundred Years, and have it finished for press at the Celebration, February 6th and 7th, 1927. Wor. Bro. Weeks, with the assistance of Wor. Bro. Blackmore, succeeded in collecting the pictures of all the Past Masters of Newark Lodge up to 1912, when Bro. Weeks at his own expense had uniform photographs made and framed and presented them to the lodge. He was a natural lover of History, and took pride in looking up the past events and happenings, and up to the time of his death was working diligently, collecting and compiling data for this work. He died in Newark on January 4, 1918, and was buried with Masonic honors by his lodge.

1897

The 70th annual election was held December 16th, 1896, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Adolph F. Weisgerber, Worshipful Master; Isaac H. Munn, Senior Warden; Henry L. Curren, Junior Warden; Alfred Ridler, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, P. M., Secretary; Robert W. Chapman, P. M., Chaplain; George W. Munsick, Senior Deacon; Andrew F. Haufler, Junior Deacon; George M. Dallas and Frank S. Olds, Masters of Ceremonies; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.



ADOLPH FREDERICK WEISGERBER

Adolph Frederick Weisgerber, our thirty-sixth Master, was born December 6, 1859, in Charleston, South Carolina. He was raised in Newark Lodge on the 1st day of April, 1892. He served as Senior Deacon in 1894 and 1895, as Senior Warden in 1896, and as Worshipful Master in 1897 and 1898.

In his early days he was a very noted athlete, and a member of the Newark Turnverein. He was one of the tumblers selected to go abroad as an American representative performer, and while there, carried away notable honors, and on his return home was very enthusiastically received. He has also won quite a reputation as a billiard player, having played many matched professional games. He quit the acting profession and became a manufacturing jeweler, and has conducted his own business, under the firm name of Weisgerber & Co., for a number of years.

It was early in January of this year that the lodge was notified by the Howard Savings Bank, owners of the building where the lodge held its meetings, that the expiration of its lease on May 1st, 1898, the building would be torn down and a new bank building

erected on the site; thereby making it necessary for the lodge to secure other quarters. The Worshipful Master thereupon appointed a committee consisting of Most Wor. Bro. Charles Belcher, Rt. Wor. Bro. Elmer E. Smith and Wor. Bro. Robert W. Chapman, to look for suitable quarters for a new lodge room. After submitting several offers to the lodge, the committee finally submitted the offer made by Bro. McGregor, with a recommendation that the lodge accept the offer, and lease the McGregor Hall for a period of ten years, with the privilege to make such alterations as was necessary to make the building suitable for Masonic purposes. Accordingly, by motion of the lodge, the Board of Trustees were authorized to sign a ten-year lease from May 1st, for the entire top floor of the McGregor building. This was remodeled and made into a lodge room, with two ante rooms and banquet hall, at a cost of about \$1,500.00, but by this outlay the lodge was able to sub-rent to other Masonic bodies, so that every night in the week, excepting Saturday and Sunday, the rooms were occupied. The following Masonic bodies became tenants for ten years: Union Chapter, R. A. M.; Kane Council, R. & S. M.; St. Alban's Lodge; Triluminar Lodge, Diogenes Lodge and Germania Lodge.

It was this same year that the Grand Lodge started a movement to establish a Masonic Home in this State, and a committee visited all lodges for the raising of funds for this purpose. Newark Lodge did its share in contributing towards this movement. Several places were looked over by the Home Committee, but the one offered at Burlington was chosen as the most desirable, and was finally purchased. It was soon put in shape, and later dedicated by the Grand Lodge, at which time Bro. Blackmore presented the Home with a large painting of Niagara Falls, which hangs in the parlor. Newark Lodge turned out in a body at the dedication and marched in parade at Burlington.

1898

The 71st annual election was held December 17th, 1897, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Adolph F. Weisgerber, Worshipful Master; Henry L. Curren, Senior Warden; Andrew F. Haufler, Junior Warden; Albert Ridler, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, P. M., Secretary; Henry G. Disbrow, P. M., Chaplain; J. Edward Blackmore, Senior Deacon; George M. Dallas, Junior Deacon; George M. Ryno and C. W. Schmitt, Masters of Ceremonies; Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler; and C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist.

It was during the year 1898 that Bro. J. Edward Blackmore made his now famous painting of "King Solomon's Temple, Jerusalem," and presented it to the lodge. Later the same was reproduced in engravings and sold by the lodge for the benefit of the Masonic Home fund, and the profits derived therefrom was sent to the Home from time to time and same duly acknowledged by the Home Committee.

At a regular communication a motion was made that the lodge request the Grand Master, Most Wor. Bro. Josiah W. Ewin, to confer the three degrees on the son of Most Wor. Bro. Charles Belcher, who was regularly elected to become a member, as an honor to his father, Past Grand Master. Later an acceptance was received by the lodge from the Grand Master.

The Grand Lodge held a special meeting at Newark Lodge and conferred upon Charles Belcher, Jr., the three degrees, thereby making him a Mason at sight. His father presented the Working Tools in a most able and effective manner, and a number of speeches were made by prominent Grand Lodge Officers.

During the same evening Rt. Wor. Bro. William D. Rutan, Dep. Grand Secretary, on behalf of the lodge, presented Bro. Blackmore with a Gold Medal as a token of their appreciation for the wonderful painting he had presented to the lodge. In his address many favorable comments were made about Bro. Blackmore's work as an artist, and reference was made to the painting of Niagara Falls, which he presented to the Masonic Home, stating "that it would always be a monument to his memory." After the meeting a banquet was served in the Banquet Hall, and a very pleasant evening was spent together, and will long be remembered by all those who were present.

1899

The 72nd annual election was held December 18th, 1898, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: William D. Traphagen, Worshipful Master; Andrew F. Haufler, Senior Warden; J. Edward Blackmore, Junior Warden; Alfred Ridler, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, P. M., Secretary; Henry G. Disbrow, P. M., Chaplain; Benjamin M. Skinner, Senior Deacon; George M. Dallas, Junior Deacon; Thomas B. Cryer and Alfred R. Young, Masters of Ceremonies; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.



WILLIAM DIXON TRAPHAGEN

William Dixon Traphagen, our thirty-seventh Master, was born July 25th, 1853, in New York City. He was raised in Newark Lodge on the 28th day of May, 1888. He served as Senior Master of Ceremonies in 1899, as Junior Deacon in 1891, as Junior Warden in 1893, and as Worshipful Master in 1899. He was a building contractor and followed this business for many years. He retired from business several years before his death, on account of illness. He was a member of Union Chapter, R. A. M., and Kane Council, R. & S. M.

1900

The 73rd annual election was held December 18th, 1899, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Andrew F. Haufler, Worshipful Master; J. Edward Blackmore, Senior Warden; Hugh Sutherland, Junior Warden; Alfred Ridler, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, P. M., Secretary; Henry G. Disbrow, P. M., Chaplain; Rossi V. Parker, Senior Deacon; Charles Belcher, Jr., Junior Deacon; George D. Van Arsdale and J. Fred Braun, Masters of Ceremonies; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.

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ANDREW FORCE HAUFLEER

Andrew Force Haufler, our thirty-eighth Master, was born January 12, 1867, in Newark, N. J. He was raised on the 1st day of February, 1895, in Newark Lodge. He served as Junior Deacon in 1896 and 1897, as Junior Warden in 1898, as Senior Warden in 1899, and as Worshipful Master in 1900 and 1901. He is a resident of Newark, N. J., and has been employed by the Union News Company for many years. He made a good Master and was well liked by all who have had the pleasure of knowing him.

1901

The 74th annual election was held December 20th, 1900, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Andrew F. Haufler, Worshipful Master; J. Edward Blackmore, Senior Warden; Hugh Sutherland, Junior Warden; Alfred Ridler, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, P. M., Secretary; Henry G. Disbrow, P. M., Chaplain; Rossi V. Parker, Senior Deacon; Charles Belcher, Jr., Junior Deacon; George D. Van Arsdale and J. Fred Braun, Masters of Ceremonies; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.

1902

The 75th annual election was held December 14th, 1901, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: J. Edward Blackmore, Worshipful Master; George M. Dallas, Senior Warden; William C. Coats, Junior Warden; Alfred Ridler, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, P. M., Secretary; Henry C. Disbrow, P. M., Chaplain; Fred A. Winans, Senior Deacon; George D. Van Arsdale, Junior Deacon; Thomas B. Cryer and Peter T. Steenstrip, Masters of Ceremonies; George W. Porter and Charles MacIntosh, Stewards; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist, and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.

HISTORY OF NEWARK LODGE—1902

JAMES EDWARD BLACKMORE, our Historian and thirty-ninth Master, was raised in Newark Lodge on the 5th day of March, 1897. The following biography of Bro. Blackmore was written by Wor. Bro. Charles E. Weeks, and found among his effects after his death. Bro. Blackmore, at the request of the Worshipful Master, kindly consented to it being printed herein, only adding to it such things of importance which have occurred since the death of Wor. Bro. Weeks.

James Edward Blackmore served as Senior Deacon in 1898, as Junior Warden in 1899, as Senior Warden in 1900 and 1901, and as Worshipful Master in 1902 and 1903. In the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, he served as Grand Steward in 1906 and 1910, as Grand Pursuivant in 1908 and 1909, and for a number of years as Chairman of the Portrait Committee and various other committees. He advanced through all the degrees of both the York and Scottish Rites, and was crowned a 33rd Degree Mason at Chicago, September, 1920, and has filled official positions in several of the different bodies, including that of Grand Master of the Grand Council of this State, with credit to himself, also as District Deputy from 1920 to 1924. He has served the Lodge as Trustee for five years, and as Chaplain for many years.

Bro. Blackmore was born September 24, 1860, in London, Ontario, Canada, and at the age of three years removed to Toronto. He acquired his education in the public schools of that city, which he supplemented, at a later period in life, by a business college course. In 1871 he obtained employment in the press room of the *Daily Telegraph*, of that city, where he continued for two years and then entered the employ of W. B. Capon, at Barrie, Ontario, to learn fresco painting. In 1875 he entered the Toronto School of Art, from which he graduated with high honor in 1878. He continued his art studies for a time in a local studio and then went abroad, where he studied under noted artists in Paris and London, and upon his return to this country in 1881, became Professor of Free Hand Drawing in the Mechanics' Institute, at St. Thomas, Ontario.

In 1884 he removed to Michigan and took up the study of chemistry at Ann Arbor, and in 1885 opened a studio in Grand Rapids. While successful in his artistic career, he had an inventive mind and as his talents naturally turned in that direction, he estab-

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lished a laboratory in connection with his studio and invented a number of photographic appliances. Shortly after the dry plate came into use he turned his attention to instantaneous photography and in 1888 invented the detective hand camera. He constructed a circular carriage with which a continuous number of his snap shot pictures were automatically shown by stereopticon, thus producing a motion picture, but the plates proved unsatisfactory for the purpose. The advent, however, of the transparent film, which was invented by Rev. Dr. Goodwin, of Newark, in 1888, enabled Bro. Blackmore to overcome the difficulty and he constructed a moving picture machine that reproduced a continuous series of pictures on a canvas screen, but the destruction of his laboratory by fire in 1889, crippled him financially and prevented him from perfecting his invention. In 1890 he removed to Newark and endeavored to interest capitalists in the formation of a stock company, to utilize his inventions, but was unsuccessful, and then devoted himself largely to his art. In 1892 he received letters of patent on the first moving picture machine camera invented and additional patents on such machines were granted to him in 1894. As a mark of recognition for this invention and for his work in art, he was, in 1890, created an honorary member of the Academy of Arts, Science and Inventions, at Paris; in 1893 was made honorary President of the Academy of Inventions; and in the same year was presented with a diploma by the Academy of Arts and Sciences, at Brussels, Belgium, and enrolled as an honorary member.

In 1893, while upholding his studio, he engaged in business in this city, as a dealer in photographic and art supplies. His knowledge of chemistry, especially as applied to photography and kindred arts, caused his advice to be sought by professionals as well as amateurs, and proved an important factor in promoting his business success. In 1898 he presented to Newark Lodge his painting, "King Solomon's Temple, Jerusalem," and has cheerfully contributed his knowledge of art to promote the work of its Historical Committee, of which he was appointed a member, together with Wor. Bro. Weeks. He also presented to Union Chapter, R. & S. M., a painting symbolical of that order and also a portrait of Dr. Kane to Kane Council, R. & S. M.

Bro. Blackmore has been active ever since he was raised, both in his lodge and in the Grand Lodge and Grand Council. At the dedication of the Masonic Home at Burlington, N. J., he presented

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THE NEWARK LODGE, NEWARK, N. J.



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HISTORY OF NEWARK LODGE—1902

the Home with a beautiful painting of Niagara Falls. He has made many gifts too numerous to mention here, and was one of the Temple Building Committee who bought our present Temple.

At the seventy-fifth anniversary of the lodge, Bro. Blackmore was Worshipful Master and delivered the Historical Lecture at that time. He has been the sole Historian of Newark Lodge ever since the death of Wor. Bro. Weeks.

Newark Lodge has every reason to feel proud of such a member.



1903

The 76th annual election was held December 15th, 1902, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: J. Edward Blackmore, Worshipful Master; George M. Dallas, Senior Warden; William C. Coats, Junior Warden; Alfred Ridler, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, P. M., Secretary; Henry G. Disbrow, P. M., Chaplain; Fred A. Winans, Senior Deacon; George V. Van Arsdale, Junior Deacon; Thomas B. Cryer and Peter T. Steenstrip, Masters of Ceremonies; Charles MacIntosh and G. V. Perry, Stewards; F. W. Schultz, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist, and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.

1904

The 77th annual election was held December 16th, 1903, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: George M. Dallas, Worshipful Master; William C. Coats, Senior Warden; Fred A. Winans, Junior Warden; Abram Van Arsdale, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, P. M., Secretary; Henry G. Disbrow, P. M., Chaplain; George V. Van Arsdale, Senior Deacon; Thomas B. Cryer, Junior Deacon; Charles MacIntosh and Emil H. Rupert, Masters of Ceremonies; Arthur P. Totten and Bernard G. Koether, Stewards; George H. Bowerman, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.



GEORGE MIFFLIN DALLAS

George Mifflin Dallas, our fortieth Master, was raised in Newark Lodge on the 10th day of May, 1895. He served as Senior Master of Ceremonies in 1897 and 1898, as Junior Deacon in 1899, as Junior Warden in 1900 and 1901, as Senior Warden in 1902 and 1903, and as Worshipful Master in 1904. He also served as Secretary. He has been employed by the Adams Express Company for many years as Superintendent. He made a good Master and a good Secretary. He was always on the job and his records show his proficiency unexcelled.

1905

The 78th annual election was held December 19th, 1904, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Frederic A. Winans, Worshipful Master; George D. Van Arsdale, Senior Warden; Thomas B. Cryer, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, P. M., Secretary; Henry G. Disbrow, P. M., Chaplain; Emil Rupert, Senior Deacon; Arthur P. Totten, Junior Deacon; Bernard G. Koether and George H. Bowerman, Masters of Ceremonies; Frank A. Pullis and Frank Blanchard, Stewards; Nathan L. Parmitee, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.



FREDERIC ALONZO WINANS

Frederic Alonzo Winans, our forty-first Master, was raised in Newark Lodge on November 2nd, 1900. He served as Senior Deacon in 1902 and 1903, as Junior Warden in 1904, and as Worshipful Master in 1905.

He was employed by the Prudential Insurance Company. He demitted to South Orange Lodge on May 3rd, 1907.

1906

The 79th annual election was held December 20th, 1905, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Thomas B. Cryer, Worshipful Master; Emil H. Rupert, Senior Warden; Arthur P. Totten, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; Charles E. Weeks, P. M., Secretary; Henry G. Disbrow, P. M., Chaplain; Bernard G. Koether, Senior Deacon; Frank A. Pullis, Junior Deacon; Frank Blanchard and Nathan L. Parmelee, Masters of Ceremonies; J. Harry Elkins and George Colon, Stewards; Lyman Lee, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.



THOMAS BLACKBURN CRYER
Forty-second Master

HISTORY OF NEWARK LODGE—1906

Thomas Blackburn Cryer, our forty-second Master, was born on June 27th, 1864, in London, Ontario, Canada. He was raised in Newark Lodge on May 12th, 1898. He served as Senior Master of Ceremonies in 1899, 1902 and 1903, as Junior Deacon in 1904, as Junior Warden in 1905 and as Worshipful Master in 1906. He has served as Trustee of Newark Lodge for many years, and is still Treasurer of the Board. He served as Grand Sword Bearer in the Grand Lodge of the State of New Jersey in 1925. He has been an active member ever since he was raised and played an important part in raising the funds which has made Newark Lodge owner of its own Temple. Rt. Wor. Bro. Cryer was schooled in London, Ontario, Canada, and Hull, England. At an early age he embarked in the heating and ventilating business with his father, who comprised the firm of T. B. Cryer & Co. They were pioneers in the water heating business. After his father's death he controlled the business and he has become widely known as one of the foremost heating and ventilating engineers in the country. He has made many improvements in the various systems of heating, and his long experience has made his opinion sought for many times by the trade. He is president of the Master Steam Fitters' Association of New Jersey, and other kindred organizations. He has handled many large contracts in his line throughout this country and Canada, among which is our own Masonic Home, at Burlington, N. J.; the Salaam Temple, in Newark, and our own Temple. His father was a Mason and all of his family, including his two sons, who are mentioned in our Honor Roll.

HISTORY OF NEWARK LODGE—1907-1908

1907

The 80th annual election was held December, 1906, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Emil H. Rupert, Worshipful Master; William C. Coats, Senior Warden; Bernard G. Koether, Junior Warden; George M. Dallas, Secretary; George V. Perry, Treasurer; Frank Blanchard, Senior Deacon; Nathan L. Parmelee, Junior Deacon; Frederick W. Hock, Chaplain; J. Harry Elkins and George Colon, Masters of Ceremonies; John D. Stringer and Walter C. Kenam, Stewards; Alexander N. Purman, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.



EMIL H. RUPERT

Emil H. Rupert, our forty-third Master, was raised in Newark Lodge on May 18, 1900. He served as Master of Ceremonies in 1904, as Senior Deacon in 1905, as Senior Warden in 1906, and as Worshipful Master in 1907. Our records do not show any notable occurrences during his administration. He was very conservative, but was well liked by his brethren. He was for many years employed by the Hedden Construction Co., as Superintendent, and later by the Prudential Insurance Company as Master Mechanic, and in whose employ

he was at the time of his death. He was buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors.

1908

The 81st annual election was held December 14th, 1907, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Bernard G. Koether, Worshipful Master; Frank Blanchard, Senior Warden; J. Harry Elkins, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; George M. Dallas, Secretary; Fred W. Hock, Chaplain;

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George H. Bowerman, Senior Deacon; Frank D. Van Arsdale, Junior Deacon; George Colon and Alexander N. Pearman, Masters of Ceremonies; William F. Pridham and A. H. B. Van Raalte, Stewards; W. E. Dickinson, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.



BERNARD G. KOETHER

Bernard G. Koether, our forty-fourth Master, was born in Newark, N. J., on February 6, 1879. He was raised in Newark Lodge on November 28th, 1902. He served as Junior Master of Ceremonies in 1904, as Senior Master of Ceremonies in 1905, as Senior Deacon in 1906, as Junior Warden in 1907, and as Worshipful Master in 1908. He received his schooling in Newark, and at an early age he entered the employ of the Hyatt Roller Bearing Company, where he raised himself from accountant to be Vice-President and General Sales Manager of the new merger

of the companies, which are now known as the General Motors Corporation.

1909

The 82nd annual election was held December 15th, 1908, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Frank Blanchard, Worshipful Master; J. Harry Elkins, Senior Warden; George H. Bowerman, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; George M. Dallas, Secretary; Fred W. Hock, Chaplain; Frank D. Van Arsdale, Senior Deacon; William H. Jones, Junior Deacon; Hugh Sutherland and William F. Pridham, Masters of Ceremonies; W. C. Kautzmann and Fred W. Whiteley, Stewards; Thomas A. Brown, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.



FRANK BLANCHARD

Frank Blanchard, our forty-fifth Master, was born in Newark, N. J., on October 29th, 1866. He was raised in Newark Lodge on April 8th, 1904. He served as Steward in 1905, Senior Master of Ceremonies in 1906, Senior Deacon in 1907, Senior Warden in 1908, and Worshipful Master in 1909. He received his schooling in the Public Schools of Newark, N. J. He was Superintendent of a Newark cigar factory for over twenty years. It was during his administration that Wor. Bro. William H. Jones was appointed Junior Deacon, which ultimately led to his becoming Master of Newark

Lodge, and who later was made a 33rd Degree Mason. Bro. Blanchard was a good Master, and he has served as Chaplain many years. He has kept his interest in the lodge constantly, and has been one of the lodge's standbys ever since he became a member.

1910

The 83rd annual election was held December, 1909, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: J. Harry Elkins, Worshipful Master; George H. Bowerman, Senior Warden; Frank D. Van Arsdale, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; Fred W. Hock, Chaplain; William H. Jones, Senior Deacon; C. William Kautzman, Junior Deacon; Thomas A. Brown and Thomas F. O'Brien, Masters of Ceremonies; J. Frank Hausman and A. Leslie Price, Stewards; Adam Harkness, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.



J. HARRY ELKINS

J. Harry Elkins, our forty-sixth Master, was born in Newark, N. J., on May 15th, 1874. He was raised in Newark Lodge on June 26th, 1903. He served as Senior Master of Ceremonies in 1907, as as Junior Warden in 1908, as Senior Warden in 1909, and as Worshipful Master in 1910. He served as Chairman of the Board of Trustees for a term of five years, during which time our Temple was purchased, and in which transaction he was very active. He received his schooling in the Public Schools of Newark, and a business college. He was for twenty-five years employed on the staff of the

Sunday Call, and for the last few years he has been employed as Manager of the Accounting Department of the General Electric Company.

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1911

The 84th annual election was held December, 1910, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: George H. Bowerman, Worshipful Master; Frank D. Van Arsdale, Senior Warden; William H. Jones, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; Frederick W. Hock, Chaplain; C. William Kautzman, Jr., Senior Deacon; Thomas F. O'Brien, Junior Deacon; A. Leslie Price, Senior Master of Ceremonies; Frank Hausman, Junior Master of Ceremonies; Adam Harkness, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Alexander E. Taylor, Tyler.



GEORGE H. BOWERMAN

George H. Bowerman, our forty-seventh Master, was born in Birmingham, England, on January 4th, 1857, and was raised in

HISTORY OF NEWARK LODGE—1911-1912

Newark Lodge on May 22, 1903. He served as Senior Deacon in 1908, as Junior Warden in 1909, as Senior Warden in 1910, and as Worshipful Master in 1911. He received his schooling in the Public Schools of England, and at an early age took up the jewelry trade, and for a number of years was employed by the firm of Riker Brothers, in Newark, N. J. Of late he has been employed in the Engineering Department of the Westinghouse Lamp Works, at Bloomfield, N. J. He took a great interest in politics and was a very strong supporter of our late President Roosevelt. He was the organizer of a number of Roosevelt Clubs and did much to elect his party, being persistent in his efforts and a hard worker. He could have had public office many times, but he always declined. To help others seemed to be his desire and he always worked hard for his choice. He made an excellent Master, did good work and was well liked by his lodge.

1912

The 85th annual election was held December, 1911, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: William H. Jones, Worshipful Master; Thomas F. O'Brien, Senior Warden; W. W. Birch, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; George W. King, Chaplain; A. Leslie Price, Senior Deacon; William Elmer Brown, Junior Deacon; Charles H. Payne and William H. Bowerman, Masters of Ceremonies; G. G. Beyerle and F. J. Schaeffer, Stewards; C. S. Schneider, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and C. W. Schmidt, Tyler.



WILLIAM H. JONES

William H. Jones, our forty-eighth Master, was born in Millburn, N. J. on the 3rd day of November, 1856. He was raised in Newark Lodge on March 9th, 1888. He served as Master of Ceremonies in 1891, as Junior Deacon in 1909, as Junior Warden in 1910, as Senior Warden in 1911, and as Worshipful Master in 1912. He was appointed Grand Pesuivant in the Grand Lodge in 1915. He was a very ardent worker in the Scottish Rite bodies of Jersey City for many years, and received the Honorary 33rd Degree by the

Supreme Council at Detroit. He was in the cigar business in Newark for many years. He was a popular Master and liked by all who knew him. He died on April 19th, 1917, and was buried with Masonic honors by the lodge.

1913

The 86th annual election was held December 19th, 1912, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Thomas F. O'Brien, Worshipful Master; Walter W. Birch, Senior Warden; A. Leslie Price, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; J. Edward Blackmore, P. M., Chaplain; W. Elmer Brown, Senior Deacon; Arthur Van Steenburgh, Junior Deacon; George R. Waldron and Theodore A. Dobson, Masters of Ceremonies; Douglas Dunclark and D. G. Keisler, Stewards; Charles F. F. Cooper, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Charles W. Schmidt, Tyler.



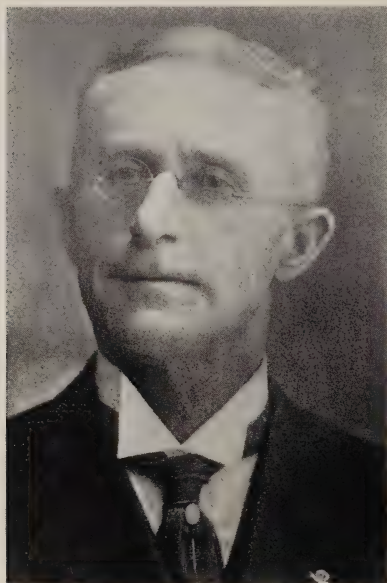
THOMAS F. O'BRIEN

Thomas F. O'Brien, our forty-ninth Master, was raised in Newark Lodge on the 28th day of March, 1902. He served as Junior Master of Ceremonies in 1910, Senior Deacon in 1911, Senior Warden in 1912, and as Worshipful Master in 1913. He was born on August 18th, 1878. He is engaged as General Foreman of the National Lock Washer Company, where he has been employed for the last twenty-three years. He made a good Master, his pleasing personality making him liked by every member who knew him.

HISTORY OF NEWARK LODGE

1914

At the 87th annual election held December 20th, 1913, the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Walter W. Birch, Worshipful Master; A. Leslie Price, Senior Warden; Thomas A. Dobson, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; William H. Vermilye, Chaplain; Charles L. Haight, Senior Deacon; David G. Keisler, Junior Deacon; Charles F. F. Cooper and Harold A. Waddington, Masters of Ceremonies; George P. Laible and Paul M. Fischer, Stewards; Wallace Herman, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Charles W. Schmidt, Tyler.



WALTER W. BIRCH

office, the lodge was in charge of A. Leslie Price, the Senior Warden.

Walter W. Birch, our fiftieth Master, affiliated with Newark Lodge on June 24th, 1910. He served as Senior Deacon in 1911, as Junior Warden in 1912, as Senior Warden in 1913, and as Worshipful Master in 1914.

It was unfortunate that shortly after being elected Worshipful Master, he had to move, at the request of his employer, to Minneapolis, Minn., to take charge of their business, which was known as the American News Company. He was employed with this company up to the time of his death. During his term of

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1915

The 88th annual election was held December 21st, 1914, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: A. Leslie Price, Worshipful Master; Thomas A. Dobson, Senior Warden; Arthur Van Steenburgh, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; J. Edward Blackmore, P. M., Chaplain; David G. Keisler, Senior Deacon; Harold A. Waddington, Junior Deacon; George P. Laible and Wallace Herman, Masters of Ceremonies; Frederick E. Herbert and Leslie Pach, Stewards; Edward A. Kastner, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and C. W. Schmidt, Tyler.



A. LESLIE PRICE

A. Leslie Price, our fifty-first Master, was born in Newark, N. J., on September 3rd, 1878. He was raised in Newark Lodge on March 19th, 1909. He served as Senior Deacon in 1912, as Junior Warden in 1913, as Senior Warden in 1914, which position he held only a short time, when the Worshipful Master was obliged

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to go to Minnesota on account of his business, whereupon he became acting Master and finished out the year as such. He was elected Worshipful Master in 1915. He received his schooling in Newark, N. J., and graduated from the Newark High School and the New York University. He has been engaged in the legal profession for a number of years, and has served as Police Judge and Assistant Prosecutor of Essex County, and at present is the Assistant Secretary to the Senate of the State of New Jersey.

1916

The 89th annual election was held December 22, 1915, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Thomas A. Dobson, Worshipful Master; Arthur Van Steenburgh, Senior Warden; David G. Keisler, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; J. Edward Blackmore, P. M., Chaplain; George P. Laible, Senior Deacon; Wallace Herman, Junior Deacon; Frederick E. Herbert and Lester Pach, Masters of Ceremonies; William J. Surerus and Samuel E. Hume, Stewards; William Wolfe, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and C. W. Schmidt, Tyler.



THOMAS A. DOBSON

Thomas A. Dobson, our fifty-second Master, was raised in Newark Lodge on October 8th, 1909. He served as Senior Master of Ceremonies in 1913, as Junior Warden in 1914, as Senior Warden in 1915, and as Worshipful Master in 1916, and was elected Trustee in 1921 for a term of five years.

Our records show nothing of special interest during his administration. He is engaged in the accounting profession and was for a number of years employed by Hirsch & Co., of Newark, N. J.

HISTORY OF NEWARK LODGE

1917

The 90th annual election was held December 23, 1916, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Arthur Van Steenburgh, Worshipful Master; David G. Keisler, Senior Warden; George P. Laible, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; J. Edward Blackmore, P. M., Chaplain; Wallace Herman, Senior Deacon; Charles F. F. Cooper, Junior Deacon; Frederick E. Herbert and Samuel E. Hume, Masters of Ceremonies; C. N. Macknet and W. S. Wolfe, Stewards; W. Sacher, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and C. W. Schmidt, Tyler.



ARTHUR VAN STEENBURGH

Arthur Van Steenburgh, our fifty-third Master, was born in West Hurley, Ulster County, New York, on November 12th, 1874. He was raised in Newark Lodge on April 28th, 1905. He served as Senior Deacon in 1913, as Junior Warden in 1915, as Senior Warden in 1916, and as Worshipful Master in 1917.

He was schooled at the West Hurley Public School, the Long Island Business College and the Newark Technical School. He has been engaged for many years in the stone cutting industry and was Superintendent of the Rusling Stone Company for twenty years, which position he still

holds. It was during his administration that our country entered the World War and special emergent communications were called to confer the degrees on members who had enlisted in the service and were going away to camp. During his year he appointed a committee to look into the situation of a new lodge room, which culminated in the purchase of our present Temple.

HISTORY OF NEWARK LODGE

1918

The 91st annual election was held December 24th, 1917, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: David G. Keisler, Worshipful Master; George P. Laible, Senior Warden; Wallace Herman, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; J. Edward Blackmore, P. M., Chaplain; Frederick E. Herbert, Senior Deacon; Frank M. Edwards, Junior Deacon; John W. Wallraff and John W. Blair, Masters of Ceremonies; Frederick L. Miller and William H. Waldron, Jr., Stewards; William S. Wolfe, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Charles W. Schmidt, Tyler.

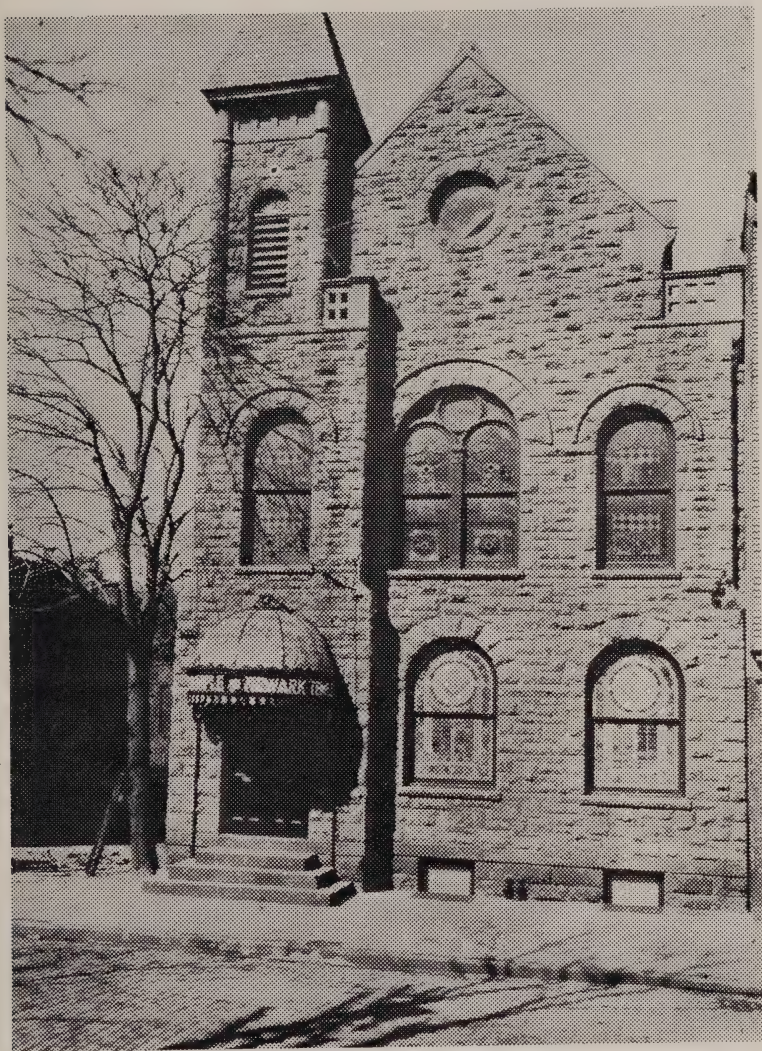


DAVID G. KEISLER

David G. Keisler, our fifty-fourth Master, was born in Newark, N. J., on September 3rd, 1878. He was raised in Newark Lodge on the 25th day of October, 1912. He served as Junior Steward in 1913, as Junior Deacon in 1914, as Senior Deacon in 1915; as Junior Warden in 1916, as Senior Warden in 1917, and as Worshipful Master in 1918. It was during Wor. Bro. Keisler's term that a committee was appointed to consider the purchase of the Italian Presbyterian Church for a lodge room. William L. Blanchard was appointed chairman. On September 23, 1918, the lodge voted to adopt

the recommendations of this committee and the purchase followed, for the sum of \$12,200.00. The committee was then enlarged and work began to raise the money by voluntary subscription. The necessary amount was soon raised, and the remodeling of the building commenced.

Wor. Bro. Keisler is an accountant by profession. He received his schooling in Newark, N. J. He has been employed by the National Lock Washer Company, of Newark, for the last thirty-two years.



EXTERIOR OF PRESENT TEMPLE
205 PLANE STREET, NEWARK, N. J.



INTERIOR OF PRESENT LODGE ROOM

HISTORY OF NEWARK LODGE

1919

The 92nd annual election was held December 16, 1918, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: George P. Laible, Worshipful Master; Wallace Herman, Senior Warden; Frederick E. Herbert, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; J. Edward Blackmore, P. M., Chaplain; Frank M. Edwards, Senior Deacon; John W. Wallraff, Junior Deacon; Frederick L. Miller and Warren M. Norton, Masters of Ceremonies; Thomas P. Dean and Hugh J. Dobson, Stewards; Domenico Bovero, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Charles W. Schmidt, Tyler.



GEORGE P. LAIBLE

George P. Laible, our fifty-fifth Master, was born in Braidwood, Illinois, and raised in Newark Lodge on the 13th day of December, 1912. He served as Junior Master of Ceremonies in 1915, as Senior Deacon in 1916, as Junior Warden in 1917, as Senior Warden in 1918, and as Worshipful Master in 1919. He was one of the members of the holding committee who worked for the attainment of our Temple, and on March 21st, 1919, the Temple was dedicated by the Grand Lodge.

Wor. Bro. Laible is engaged in the legal profession, being one of the firm of Pomerehne,

Laible & Kautz, lawyers, of Newark. He received his schooling in Newark. He was admitted to the New York Bar in 1910, to the New Jersey Bar in 1911, and was made Attorney Counsellor in 1914. He has also served as President of the Masonic Bureau of New Jersey, (Essex Branch).

HISTORY OF NEWARK LODGE

1920

The 93rd annual election was held December 17th, 1919, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Wallace Herman, Worshipful Master; Frederick E. Herbert, Senior Warden; Frank M. Edwards, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; Rt. Wor. Bro. J. Edward Blackmore, Chaplain; John W. Wallraff, Senior Deacon; Frederick L. Miller, Junior Deacon; Thomas P. Dean and Harry J. Quin, Masters of Ceremonies; William G. Seyfarth and Clifford T. L. Cryer, Stewards; Fred M. Carstens, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist, and Charles W. Schmidt, Tyler.



WALLACE HERMAN

Wallace Herman, our fifty-sixth Master, was born October 26th, 1886, in Newark, N. J. He attended the Public School and graduated from Barringer High School, Newark Technical School and Blaiser School of Accounting. He was raised in Newark Lodge on November 8th, 1912. He served as Marshal in 1914, as Junior Master of Ceremonies in 1915, as Junior Deacon in 1917, as Junior Warden in 1918, as Senior Warden in 1919, and as Worshipful Master in 1920. He served in office of Union Chapter and is a member of Kane Council, Damascus Commandery and Salaam Temple. He is employed by Charles Cooper, Inc., Manufacturing Chemists, of Newark and New York. He was a very successful and popular Master, being an excellent ritualist and did splendid work. He raised the largest number of candidates ever raised in the lodge by one Master, and the records show this year to have been the most profitable for the lodge of any year in its history. It was during his term that the lodge paid off the second mortgage on the Temple.

HISTORY OF NEWARK LODGE

1921

The 94th annual election was held December 18th, 1920, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Frederick E. Herbert, Worshipful Master; Frank M. Edwards, Senior Warden; John W. Wallraff, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; Rt. Wor. Bro. J. Edward Blackmore, Chaplain; Frederick L. Miller, Senior Deacon; Thomas P. Dean, Junior Deacon; Harry J. Quin and William G. Seyfarth, Masters of Ceremonies; Clifford T. L. Cryer and C. W. Kautzman, Stewards; H. G. Wegener, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Charles W. Schmidt, Tyler.



FREDERICK E. HERBERT

Frederick E. Herbert, our fifty-seventh Master, was born on June 16th, 1884, in Cherry Valley, New York. He was raised in Newark Lodge on the 19th day of June, 1914. He served as Senior Master of Ceremonies in 1916, as Junior Deacon in 1917, as Senior Deacon in 1918, as Junior Warden in 1919, as Senior Warden in 1920, and as Worshipful Master in 1921. Wor. Bro. Herbert received his education in Cherry Valley Grammar and High Schools, and the Albany Business College. After receiving his business education he entered the hardware business

with his father and later entered the manufacturing business in Newark, N. J. He was one of the pioneer developers of the music roll for player pianos. He sold out this business in 1917, and entered the public accounting field. He is now employed as Treasurer of J. D. Steifel, Inc., Exporters, 246 Pearl Street, New York. He is a member of Union Chapter, No. 7, R. A. M.; Kane Council, No. 2, R. & S. M.; Newark Consistory, S. P. R. S., No. 32, Valley of Newark, and the Essex County Past Masters' Association.

1922

The 95th annual election was held December 19th, 1921, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Frank M. Edwards, Worshipful Master; John W. Wallraff, Senior Warden; Frederick L. Miller, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; Rt. Wor. Bro. J. Edward Blackmore, Chaplain; Thomas P. Dean, Senior Deacon; Harry J. Quin, Junior Deacon; Charles W. Kautzman and William G. Seyfarth, Masters of Ceremonies; William C. Machter and Kurt Kuhlewein, Stewards; Harry G. Mayfield, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist, and Charles W. Schmidt, Tyler.



FRANK M. EDWARDS

Frank M. Edwards, our fifty-eighth Master, was born in New York City, on July 27th, 1890. He received his schooling in Brooklyn, N. Y., and was for a number of years employed with the Oxweld Acetylene Company, of Newark, N. J. He is employed at the present time by the National Box and Lumber Company, Newark, N. J., as Office Manager. He served as Junior Deacon in 1918, as Senior Deacon in 1919, as Junior Warden in 1920, as Senior Warden in 1921, and as Worshipful Master in 1922. While Master, he was

elected President of the Masters and Wardens Association of the Tenth District. He was very proficient in the work of the lodge and was noted for his promptness and snappy work in all the business of the lodge.

HISTORY OF NEWARK LODGE

1923

The 96th annual election was held December 20th, 1922, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: John W. Wallraff, Worshipful Master; Frederick L. Miller, Senior Warden; Thomas P. Dean, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; Rt. Wor. Bro. J. Edward Blackmore, Chaplain; Harry J. Quin, Senior Deacon; William G. Seyfarth, Junior Deacon; William C. Wachter and Kurt Kuhlwein, Masters of Ceremonies; Harry G. Mayfield and Charles W. Macknett, Stewards; George A. Seymour, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Charles W. Schmidt, Tyler.



JOHN W. WALLRAFF

John W. Wallraff, our fifty-ninth Master, was raised in Newark Lodge, on May 18th, 1917. He served as Master of Ceremonies in 1918, as Junior Deacon in 1919, as Senior Deacon in 1920, as Junior Warden in 1921, as Senior Warden in 1922 and as Worshipful Master in 1923. He received his schooling in the Public Schools of Newark, N. J., and at an early age took to the jewelry trade with the firm of Riker Brothers, where he became Superintendent, and which position he has held for many years.

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1924

The 97th annual election was held December, 1923, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Frederick L. Miller, Worshipful Master; Thomas P. Dean, Senior Warden; Harry J. Quin, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; Rt. Wor. Bro. J. Edward Blackmore, Chaplain; William G. Seyfarth, Senior Deacon; Kurt Kuhlewein, Junior Deacon; Wilbur J. Suresus and Leo A. Schroeder, Masters of Ceremonies; Charles W. Magnet and Peter L. Brown, Stewards; George A. Seymour, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Alexander Campbell, Tyler.



FREDERICK L. MILLER

Frederick L. Miller, our sixtieth Master, was born in Newark, New Jersey, on February 22nd, 1874. He was raised in Newark Lodge on May 18th, 1917. He served as Master of Ceremonies in 1919, as Junior Deacon in 1920, as Senior Deacon in 1921, as Junior Warden in 1922, as Senior Warden in 1923 and as Worshipful Master in 1924. He has been in business in Newark, N. J., for a number of years manufacturing violin cases. He made an excellent Master and was unexcelled in the work.

1925

The 98th annual election was held December, 1924, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Thomas P. Dean, Worshipful Master; Harry J. Quin, Senior Warden; William G. Seyfarth, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; Rt. Wor. Bro. J. Edward Blackmore, Chaplain; Frank Blanchard, Chaplain; Kurt Kuhlewein, Senior Deacon; Wilbur J. Surerus, Junior Deacon; Leo A. Schroeder and William H. Van Houten, Masters of Ceremonies; Peter L. Brown and John R. C. Baker, Stewards; Robert Nimitz, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Alexander C. Campbell, Tyler.



THOMAS P. DEAN

Thomas P. Dean, our sixty-first Master, was born in Port Jervis, N. Y., on September 11, 1891. He was raised in Newark Lodge on June 18th, 1915. He served as Senior Master of Ceremonies in 1920, as Junior Deacon in 1921, as Senior Deacon in 1922, as Junior Warden in 1923, as Senior Warden in 1924, and as Worshipful Master in 1925. He has been engaged in a Secretarial capacity for many years, and at the present time is Sales Manager of a firm in the automotive industry.

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1926

The 99th annual election was held December 18th, 1925, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: Harry J. Quin, Worshipful Master; William G. Seyfarth, Senior Warden; Kurt Kuhlewein, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; Rt. Wor. Bro. J. Edward Blackmore and Frank Blanchard, Chaplains; Wilbur J. Surerus, Senior Deacon; Leo A. Schroeder, Junior Deacon; William H. Van Houten and Peter L. Brown, Masters of Ceremonies; Frank R. Smith and Walter C. Melchior, Stewards; Linwood H. Calkins, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Frank Morgan, Tyler.



HARRY J. QUIN

Harry J. Quin, our sixty-second Master, was born at Reading, Pa., on March 19th, 1878. He was raised in Newark Lodge on

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November 1st, 1918. He served as Junior Master of Ceremonies in 1920, as Senior Master of Ceremonies in 1921, as Junior Deacon in 1922, as Senior Deacon in 1923, as Junior Warden in 1924, as Senior Warden in 1925, and as Worshipful Master in 1926. Shortly after he became Master he began to look into the matter of the History, knowing that in one year we would be celebrating our One Hundredth Anniversary. He inquired how far the work was done, and learning that Bro. Blackmore had it finished as far as 1861, he became very uneasy, as there seemed to be no one in the lodge who was able to take up this work; Bro. Blackmore being in Florida for his health. He immediately communicated with Bro. Blackmore, who replied that he would be back in Newark in March. Upon his return the Master again appointed him as sole Historian to complete this work, and again Bro. Blackmore resumed the task and completed this History.

On March 19th, a motion was regularly made that a Committee be appointed, with Bro. Blackmore as Chairman, with full power to add as many members to it as he may deem wise, and to take full charge of the Centennial Celebration. Bro. Blackmore, with the assistance of the Master, called the first meeting of a selected number of brethren on April 29th, and a General Committee was carefully organized. The result of this meeting was brought before the lodge and much satisfaction was expressed by the brethren. On May 13th the next meeting was called and the Chairman appointed a number of sub-committees to take charge of the work preparing the details of the several classes of preparation required.

On June 14th another meeting was called and much discussion took place. Regular meetings of this General Committee were frequently called and Wor. Bro. Quin was present at all times, giving the Chairman all the aid and support possible to bring this undertaking to a successful conclusion.

The evening of October 22nd was set aside for a Right Worshipful Night, in honor of our two Right Worshipful Brethren, J. Edward Blackmore and Thomas B. Cryer, and a very enjoyable time was had by all who were present.

On October 29th, Bro. Blackmore presented the History to the lodge, which was accepted on behalf of the lodge, by the Master, who extended to Bro. Blackmore a vote of thanks for his untiring effort and zeal that he has always displayed for the benefit of the craft.

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1927

The 100th annual election was held December 17th, 1926, and the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: William G. Seyfarth, Worshipful Master; Kurt Kuhlewein, Senior Warden; Wilbur J. Surerus, Junior Warden; George V. Perry, Treasurer; William F. Pridham, Secretary; Rt. Wor. J. Edward Blackmore and Frank Blanchard, P. M., Chaplains; Leo A. Schroeder, Senior Deacon; Peter L. Brown, Junior Deacon; George R. Williams and Walter C. Melchior, Jr., Masters of Ceremonies; Linwood H. Calkins and George C. Skeen, Stewards; Arthur White-side, Marshal; C. Forman Smith, No. 1, Organist; and Frank Morgan, Tyler.

WILLIAM G. SEYFARTH, our sixty-third Master, was born in Newark, N. J., on September 28th, 1897. He was raised in Newark Lodge on November 21st, 1919. He served as Junior Master of Ceremonies in 1921, as Senior Master of Ceremonies in 1922, as Junior Deacon in 1923, as Senior Deacon in 1924, as Junior Warden in 1925, as Senior Warden in 1926, and as Worshipful Master in 1927.

Wor. Bro. Seyfarth was schooled in the Public Schools of Newark, and is a graduate of the American Institute of Banking. At the present time he is employed as Auditor with the Savings Investment and Trust Company, East Orange, N. J.



OFFICERS ELECT FOR 1927

First Row George V. Perry, Treasurer; Kurt Kuhlewein, S. W.; William G. Seyfarth, W. M.; Wilbur J. Suretus, J. W.; William F. Pridham, Secretary, Tyler; Linwood H. Calkins, S. S.; George R. Williams, S. M. C.; Leo A. Schroeder, S. D.; Peter L. Brown, J. D.; Walter C. Melchior, J. M. C.; George C. Skeen, J. S.; Arthur Whiteside, Marshal.

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Honor Roll

The following are members who served in the World War:

EDWIN T. BOYLAN	WILLIAM HENNEY
CHARLES F. F. COOPER	SAMUEL S. HUME
CLIFFORD T. L. CRYER	WILLIAM McKELVIE
JOHN G. L. CRYER	CHARLES N. MACKNET
LESTER K. DONALY	THOMAS M. MOREWOOD
NELSON E. EDWARDS	ROGER G. OSTERHELD
HENRY HAYLLAR	WILBUR J. SURERUS
WILLIAM S. HAYWARD	GEORGE A. SWEETLAND
ARNOLD B. VAN RAALTE	



Final

After carrying the History of the Past Masters Biography year after year, I feel that we would not be doing our duty if we failed to mention a number of brethren who have done big things to help Newark Lodge.

From time to time there have been workers, not officers, who have done noble deeds and achieved great things, both for the brethren and the lodge, among whom we find the following:

Bro. Hugh Canhard and our late Bro. Chandler Coats, who served as Trustees for many years; also our present Board of Trustees, and our Refreshment Committee (the twins) Bros. Nickles, who year after year have taken care of the after repast of the lodge. We also note here Bro. Smith, of No. 1, our Organist, who has served our lodge for over thirty-five years. There are many others too numerous to mention, and on behalf of the lodge, I extend to them our appreciation.

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Centennial Celebration Committee

J. EDWARD BLACKMORE
Historian and Chairman

WILLIAM G. SEYFARTH
Secretary and Wor. Master

THOMAS B. CRYER
Treasurer

BANQUET COMMITTEE

W. L. Blanchard
Kurt Kuhlewein
Wallace Herman

HISTORY COMMITTEE

J. Edward Blackmore
Frederick E. Herbert
George R. Williams

FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. J. Simonson
Elvin S. Heisley
Oscar B. Stahlberg

PRINTING COMMITTEE

John F. Hubel
Ferdinand Enderlin
Henry B. Wegener
George R. Williams

CHURCH CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

Arthur Van Steenburgh
William H. Van Houten
Frederick L. Miller

SPEAKERS' COMMITTEE

Frank Blanchard
Matt. Stratton
Frank Bock

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Adolph F. Weisgerber
F. Eberhardt
Dr. Wilbur Holt

RECEPTION COMMITTEE

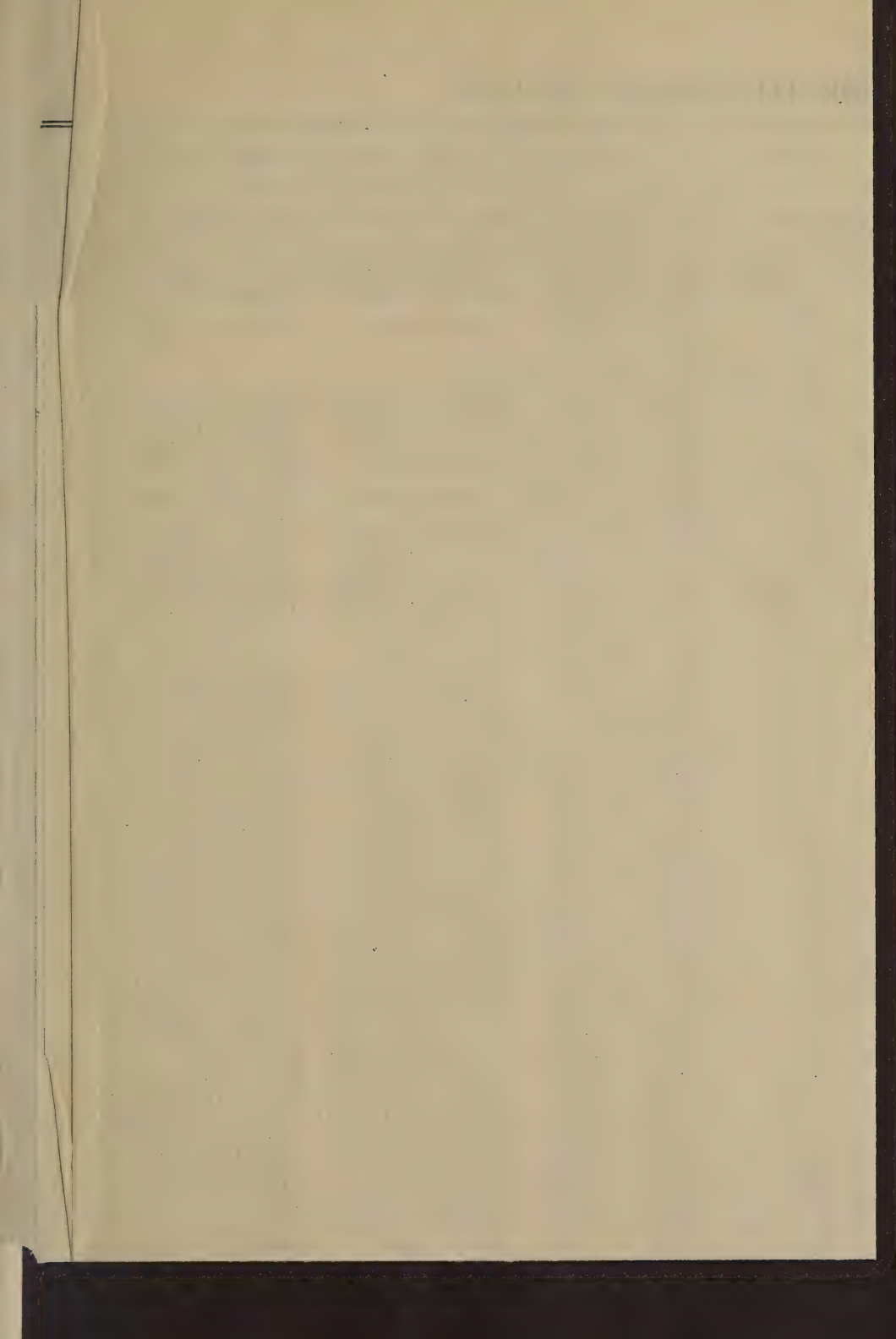
George H. Bowerman
John W. Walraff
George M. Dallas
David G. Keisler
Arthur Leslie Price
Thomas F. O'Brien
Andrew F. Haufler
George P. Laible
William F. Pridham

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

J. Harry Elkins
Frank M. Edwards
Thomas P. Dean
George R. Waldron

SOUVENIR COMMITTEE

Harry J. Quin
Wilbur J. Surerus
Leo A. Schroeder



OFFICERS' LIST FOR ONE HUNDRED YEARS

Annual Election	Worshipful Master	Senior Warden	Junior Warden	Treasurer	Secretary	Senior Deacon	Junior Deacon
Feb. 6, 1827	James Hedden	Moses Smith	James Black	William Stevens	Isaac H. Peirson	George S. Peirson	John Morris, Jr.
Nov. 27, 1827	James Hedden	Moses Smith	James Black	Ralph Morgan	Isaac W. Nuttman	Thomas Agens	John R. Crockett
Dec. 16, 1828	Lewis Atterbury	George W. Campbell	William H. Earl	William Johnson	Isaac W. Nuttman	Thomas Agens	John R. Crockett
Dec. 8, 1829	George W. Campbell	Daniel B. Bruen	William H. Earl	Jonathan C. Ball	William Johnson	John R. Crockett	Thomas Agens
Dec. 21, 1830	George W. Campbell	Daniel B. Bruen	William H. Earl	Jonathan C. Ball	William Johnson	James Hewson	Alexander Boyden
Dec. 13, 1831	Jonathan C. Ball	George S. Peirson	John R. Crockett	Hervey Park	William Johnson	John H. Higginson	William Thompson
Dec. 4, 1832	Jonathan C. Ball	John R. Crockett	William H. Earl	Hervey Park	William Johnson	John H. Higginson	William Thompson
Dec. 24, 1833	John R. Crockett	William H. Earl	James Hewson	Hervey Park	William Johnson	John R. Crockett	Joseph W. Lees
Dec. 22, 1834	John R. Crockett	William H. Earl	James Hewson	Hervey Park	William Johnson	William Stevens	Bartholomew West
Dec. 21, 1835	John R. Crockett	William H. Earl	James Hewson	Hervey Park	William Johnson	Jeremiah Doyle	Thomas P. Gale
Dec. 20, 1836	Daniel B. Bruen	William H. Earl	Jonathan C. Ball	Hervey Park	William Johnson	Thomas B. Pierson	Joseph L. Alden
Dec. 5, 1837	Daniel B. Bruen	William H. Earl	John R. Crockett	Hervey Park	Philip S. VanHouten	Bartholomew West	Asa M. Phillips
Dec. 25, 1838	William H. Earl	George A. Backus	John H. Higginson	Hervey Park	James H. Woodruff	Melville T. Hard	William Terhune, Jr.
Dec. 17, 1839	William H. Earl	John R. Crockett	John H. Higginson	Hervey Park	James H. Woodruff	Melville T. Hard	Lewis B. Baldwin
Dec. 8, 1840	James Hewson	Bartholomew West	Hervey Park	John Garside	James H. Woodruff	Isaac H. Snyder	Alfred Eagles
Dec. 21, 1841	James Hewson	Bartholomew West	Hervey Park	John Garside	James H. Woodruff	Daniel S. Stewart	David S. Plume
Dec. 20, 1842	Bartholomew West	Hervey Park	Jeremiah Doyle	John Garside	James H. Woodruff	Sylvester P. Case	David S. Plume
Dec. 25, 1843	Ira Merchant	John Garside	Edward Stewart	John Ogden	Milton Baldwin	David S. Plume	James M. Pool
Dec. 23, 1844	John Garside	Edward Stewart	Milton Baldwin	John Ogden	Isaac W. Nuttman	James C. Ogden	Lorenzo Stone
Dec. 22, 1845	Edward Stewart	Milton Baldwin	Joseph L. Alden	Edward T. Hillyer	Stephen K. Ford	Joseph K. Lewis	John C. Speer
Dec. 14, 1846	Edward Stewart	Milton Baldwin	Thomas Kirkpatrick	Edward T. Hillyer	John R. Clark	Joseph K. Lewis	John C. Speer
Dec. 13, 1847	Milton Baldwin	Thomas Kirkpatrick	William L. Ross	Edward T. Hillyer	John R. Clark	Joseph K. Lewis	Isaac M. Keve
Dec. 15, 1848	Milton Baldwin	Joseph L. Alden	Edward T. Hillyer	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Elisha M. Smith	John A. Snyder
Dec. 21, 1849	James J. Terhune	Joseph L. Alden	James C. Ogden	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Eugene A. Bleything	Samuel B. Easton
Dec. 20, 1850	Milton Baldwin	James C. Ogden	William S. Tay	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	John L. Meeker	Clarkson Ackin
Dec. 19, 1851	James C. Ogden	William S. Tay	William S. Tay	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	Clarkson Ackin
Dec. 17, 1852	James C. Ogden	William S. Tay	William S. Tay	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	William J. Birdsall
Dec. 23, 1853	James C. Ogden	Sylvester P. Case	Sylvester P. Case	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	Edward Goeller, Jr.
Dec. 15, 1854	David S. Plume	James M. Pool	James M. Pool	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	John Tunsted
Dec. 21, 1855	David S. Plume	James M. Pool	James M. Pool	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	George M. Ryno
Dec. 26, 1856	David S. Plume	James M. Pool	James M. Pool	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	Edward Goeller, Jr.
Dec. 25, 1857	Oscar J. Valentine	Oscar J. Valentine	Oscar J. Valentine	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	William A. Reeve
Dec. 24, 1858	Oscar J. Valentine	Oscar J. Valentine	Oscar J. Valentine	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	Charles H. Edwards
Dec. 23, 1859	Joseph K. Lewis	Charles L. Jones	Charles L. Jones	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	Chris. A. Hosfield
Dec. 21, 1860	Charles L. Jones	Daniel T. Clark	Daniel T. Clark	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	Chris. A. Hosfield
Dec. 20, 1861	Charles L. Jones	Daniel T. Clark	Daniel T. Clark	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	Edwin A. Waterbury
Dec. 26, 1862	Charles L. Jones	Daniel T. Clark	Daniel T. Clark	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	Edwin A. Waterbury
Dec. 25, 1863	Oscar J. Valentine	John L. Meeker	John L. Meeker	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	William A. Reeve
Dec. 23, 1864	Oscar J. Valentine	John L. Meeker	John L. Meeker	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	James R. Hutchison
Dec. 22, 1865	Abram Van Arsdale	Charles Boylan	Charles Boylan	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	James R. Hutchison
Dec. 21, 1866	Abram Van Arsdale	Charles Boylan	Charles Boylan	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	William F. Lawson
Dec. 27, 1867	Charles Boylan	James L. Courter	James L. Courter	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	George M. Ryno
Dec. 25, 1868	Charles Boylan	James L. Courter	James L. Courter	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	William G. Schmitt
Dec. 24, 1869	James L. Courter	Charles W. Lee	Charles W. Lee	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	Harry H. L. Boylan
Dec. 23, 1870	James L. Courter	Charles W. Lee	Charles W. Lee	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	Harry H. L. Boylan
Dec. 22, 1871	Edward Goeller, Jr.	John Hastings	John Hastings	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 27, 1872	Edward Goeller, Jr.	John Hastings	John Hastings	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 26, 1873	John Hastings	Charles E. Weeks	Charles E. Weeks	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 18, 1874	John Hastings	John P. Mecluer	John P. Mecluer	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 17, 1875	Edward Goeller, Jr.	William A. Kipp	William A. Kipp	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 22, 1876	William A. Kipp	Edwin A. Waterbury	Edwin A. Waterbury	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 21, 1877	Edwin A. Waterbury	Charles Belcher, Jr.	Charles Belcher, Jr.	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 27, 1878	Edwin A. Waterbury	Charles Belcher, Jr.	Charles Belcher, Jr.	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 26, 1879	Charles Belcher, Jr.	James R. Hutchison	James R. Hutchison	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 17, 1880	Charles Belcher, Jr.	Stephen P. Belcher	Stephen P. Belcher	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 23, 1881	James R. Hutchison	William Shurte	William Shurte	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 22, 1882	Stephen P. Belcher	Robert W. Chapman	Robert W. Chapman	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 21, 1883	Stephen P. Belcher	Robert W. Chapman	Robert W. Chapman	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 26, 1884	Robert W. Chapman	Merrick Martin	Merrick Martin	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 18, 1885	Merrick Martin	William Shurte	William Shurte	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 17, 1886	Merrick Martin	William Shurte	William Shurte	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 23, 1887	William Shurte	Edwin A. Waterbury	Edwin A. Waterbury	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 21, 1888	William Shurte	George M. Ryno	George M. Ryno	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 27, 1889	William Shurte	Elmer E. Smith	Elmer E. Smith	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 26, 1890	Elmer E. Smith	William A. Reeve	William A. Reeve	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 18, 1891	Elmer E. Smith	George W. Dimon	George W. Dimon	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 23, 1892	Elmer E. Smith	George W. Dimon	George W. Dimon	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 22, 1893	George W. Dimon	Ben M. Skinner	Ben M. Skinner	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 21, 1894	George W. Dimon	Ben M. Skinner	Ben M. Skinner	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 27, 1895	Charles E. Weeks	Adolph F. Weisgerber	Adolph F. Weisgerber	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 18, 1896	Adolph F. Weisgerber	Isaac H. Munn	Isaac H. Munn	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 17, 1897	Adolph F. Weisgerber	Henry L. Curren	Henry L. Curren	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 23, 1898	William D. Traphagen	Andrew F. Haufler	Andrew F. Haufler	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 22, 1899	Andrew F. Haufler	J. Edward Blackmore	J. Edward Blackmore	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 21, 1900	Andrew F. Haufler	J. Edward Blackmore	J. Edward Blackmore	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 27, 1901	J. Edward Blackmore	George M. Dallas	George M. Dallas	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 27, 1902	J. Edward Blackmore	George M. Dallas	George M. Dallas	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 28, 1903	George M. Dallas	Geo. D. VanArsdale	Geo. D. VanArsdale	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 23, 1904	Fred A. Winans	Emil H. Rupert	Emil H. Rupert	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 20, 1905	Thomas B. Cryer	Emil H. Rupert	Emil H. Rupert	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 21, 1906	Emil H. Rupert	William G. Coats	William G. Coats	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 27, 1907	Bernard G. Koether	Frank D. VanArsdale	Frank D. VanArsdale	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 27, 1908	Frank Blanchard	J. Harry Elkins	J. Harry Elkins	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 27, 1909	J. Harry Elkins	Geo. H. Bowerman	Geo. H. Bowerman	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 27, 1910	Geo. H. Bowerman	Frank D. VanArsdale	Frank D. VanArsdale	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 27, 1911	William H. Jones	Thomas F. O'Brien	Thomas F. O'Brien	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 27, 1912	Thomas F. O'Brien	Walter W. Burch	Walter W. Burch	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 20, 1913	Walter W. Burch	A. Leslie Price	A. Leslie Price	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 21, 1914	A. Leslie Price	Thomas A. Dobson	Thomas A. Dobson	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 22, 1915	Thomas A. Dobson	David G. Keisler	David G. Keisler	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 23, 1916	A. Van Steenburgh	David G. Keisler	David G. Keisler	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 24, 1917	David G. Keisler	George P. Laible	George P. Laible	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 16, 1918	George P. Laible	Wallace Herman	Wallace Herman	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 17, 1919	Wallace Herman	Frederick E. Herbert	Frederick E. Herbert	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 18, 1920	Frederick E. Herbert	Frank M. Edwards	Frank M. Edwards	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 19, 1921	Frank M. Edwards	John W. Wallraff	John W. Wallraff	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 20, 1922	John W. Wallraff	Frederick L. Miller	Frederick L. Miller	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 21, 1923	Frederick L. Miller	Thomas P. Dean	Thomas P. Dean	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 22, 1924	Thomas P. Dean	Harry J. Quin	Harry J. Quin	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 18, 1925	Harry J. Quin	William G. Seyfarth	William G. Seyfarth	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey
Dec. 17, 1926	William G. Seyfarth	Kurt Kuhlewein	Kurt Kuhlewein	Simon Searing	John R. Clark	Charles Boylan	David Povey

Election declared void by Grand Master. Again elected February 3, 1860.

† Resigned June 5, 1848, and John Stonelake elected August 7, 1848.

‡ Resigned March 22, 1850, and Daniel T. Clark appointed June 7, 1850.

HISTORY OF NEWARK LODGE

Complete List of Membership

1827 - 1927

Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Agens, Thomas.....	Jan. 1, 1828	Nov. 13, 1832
Atterbury, Lewis (Aff.).....	June 24, 1828	Aug. 31, 1872
Adams, Samuel.....	Jan. 17, 1837	Dec. 20, 1861
Albertson, David (Aff.).....	May 29, 1839	Nov. 7, 1840
Alden, Joseph L.....	Aug. 16, 1843	Dec. 28, 1855
Anderson, Aaron Thompson.....	Oct. 25, 1850	Dec. 16, 1898
Archdeacon, John.....	Nov. 14, 1856	June 12, 1857
Andrews, Edward Andre.....	Apr. 2, 1858	Sep. 24, 1858
Aschenbach, William J.....	Nov. 26, 1858	Jan. 10, 1879
Avery, William, Jr.....	Aug. 26, 1859	Apr. 7, 1865
Allen, George F.....	June 22, 1860	Feb. 20, 1867
Ackin, Clarkson.....	Aug. 31, 1860	Oct. 8, 1869
Atkinson, Robert.....	Nov. 23, 1860	Dec. 21, 1883
Axtell, Isaac Clark.....	Aug. 14, 1863	Dec. 2, 1895
Aschenbach, Christopher D.....	Mar. 11, 1864	Dec. 4, 1874
Adams, Abel P.....	Feb. 9, 1866	Oct. 19, 1866
Atha, Thomas.....	Aug. 7, 1866	Jan. 20, 1871
Arbuckle, Peter M.....	Nov. 9, 1866	Sep. 15, 1872
Aschenbach, John George.....	Mar. 22, 1867	Aug. 26, 1870
Allington, Horace B.....	June 7, 1867	Apr. 12, 1868
Agens, Thomas (Aff.).....	Apr. 2, 1869	Sep. 4, 1889
Adam, Ernst Armand, Jr.....	May 16, 1873	
Allen, James E.....	July 17, 1874	Mar. 14, 1887
Allan, George.....	Dec. 8, 1876	Dec. 14, 1900
Axt, Phillip Gustavus.....	Nov. 22, 1878	June 21, 1900
Adams, Benjamin F.....	July 15, 1881	Nov. 7, 1884
Avery, George William (Aff.).....	Feb. 13, 1885	Dec. 14, 1900
Ammann, Carl Gottlob.....	Nov. 9, 1888	Nov. 17, 1902
Allen, James Joseph.....	Apr. 6, 1894	
Anketell, James Brown Boyd.....	Oct. 4, 1901	
Adams, Alfred Deacon Leslie.....	Dec. 4, 1903	
Apgar, Frank R.....	June 23, 1905	
Adam, Armand Otto.....	Nov. 10, 1905	
Anderson, Thomas James.....	Jan. 14, 1910	
Armstrong, William Clark.....	Feb. 9, 1912	
Black, James (Chr.).....	Feb. 6, 1827	Jan. 31, 1849
Brown, Israel (Chr.).....	Feb. 6, 1827	1841
Bruen, Daniel Brown (Chr.).....	Feb. 6, 1827	Mar, 3, 1880
Beach, David (Chr.).....	Feb. 6, 1827	May 30, 1830
Boudinot, Elias E. (Chr.).....	Feb. 6, 1827	June 20, 1854
Ball, Jonathan Cristy (Aff.).....	Mar. 13, 1827	Mar. 26, 1839

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Boyden, Alexander.....	Aug. 7, 1827	Nov. 13, 1832
Backus, George A. (Aff.).....	June 5, 1838	Dec. 17, 1839
Baldwin, Milton.....	Nov. 8, 1843	Dec. 28, 1855
Beaston, Richard.....	Oct. 27, 1845	Dec. 29, 1854
Baldwin, Lewis B.....	Mar. 23, 1846	Dec. 15, 1848
Bird, James R.....	June 28, 1847	Jan. 16, 1879
Baldwin, Lewis B. (Aff.).....	Nov. 7, 1851	Dec. 24, 1852
Benton, John J.....	Sep. 17, 1852	July 1, 1853
Bartlett, Nathan.....	Oct. 8, 1852	Sep. 9, 1853
Ball, Daniel E.....	June 9, 1854	May 22, 1857
Benjamin, Daniel D.....	June 9, 1854	Nov. 30, 1860
Baker, Daniel S.....	June 20, 1854	Dec. 15, 1854
Boylan, Charles (Aff.).....	Feb. 2, 1855	Aug. 15, 1856
Ball, Joseph E.....	June 8, 1855	May 14, 1858
Baldwin, Augustus.....	Oct. 26, 1855	Jan. 4, 1856
Boylan, Lawrence.....	Dec. 7, 1855	June 4, 1909
Blanchard, Noah Fowell.....	May 9, 1856	May 11, 1881
Bucklish, William (Aff.).....	July 11, 1856	Dec. 15, 1865
Bedford, William J.....	Feb. 6, 1857	Dec. 18, 1868
Biddulph, James.....	May 1, 1857	Dec. 10, 1875
Bright, James.....	Jan. 14, 1859	Mar. 1, 1862
Blauvelt, John S.....	Feb. 4, 1859	Dec. 4, 1891
Boylan, Charles (Aff.).....	Feb. 25, 1859	Nov. 9, 1870
Butts, Philip.....	May 6, 1859	May 4, 1894
Brown, John.....	Aug. 26, 1859	May 10, 1872
Bleything, Eugene Adolphus.....	Oct. 14, 1859	Dec. 30, 1864
Brant, William H.....	Dec. 9, 1859	Sep. 10, 1875
Brooks, James J.....	Feb. 28, 1860	Jan. 16, 1874
Brooks, John P.....	Mar. 16, 1860	Feb. 17, 1871
Biddle, Charles Wesley.....	Mar. 30, 1860	Nov. 28, 1862
Bowers, Charles F.....	Apr. 20, 1860	Mar. 27, 1889
Block, Adam Joseph.....	July 13, 1860	Dec. 14, 1894
Bennett, Thomas M.....	Feb. 27, 1863	Sep. 3, 1893
Birdsall, William J.....	June 19, 1863	July 2, 1877
Baldwin, John Nutman.....	Jan. 29, 1864	Oct. 23, 1868
Burtchaell, Edward.....	Mar. 18, 1864	May 17, 1872
Buncher, Henry.....	May 27, 1864	Mar. 23, 1866
Burritt, Harvey H.....	July 18, 1864	Dec. 18, 1868
Bowles, Thomas, Jr.....	Aug. 5, 1864	Dec. 4, 1874
Burch, Thomas.....	May 12, 1865	Mar. 29, 1872
Barnett, Oscar.....	Apr. 27, 1866	Mar. 5, 1894
Bradner, William Edgar.....	May 22, 1866	Nov. 3, 1899
Blair, Washington I.....	June 21, 1867	Mar. 13, 1868
Bruen, William D.....	Aug. 2, 1867	Sep. 27, 1872
Bimbler, Frederick Jacob.....	Jan. 10, 1868	June 11, 1907
Bartow, William (Aff.).....	Mar. 6, 1868	Mar. 4, 1870
Belcher, Charles, Jr.....	May 1, 1868	Feb. 20, 1904

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Basley, William Daniel	May 15, 1868	
Bentley, Adam	June 26, 1868	Dec. 8, 1871
Bundy, Thomas Jefferson	Nov. 20, 1868	Dec. 18, 1891
Belcher, Stephen Paterson	Aug. 13, 1869	Nov. 8, 1901
Brison, William S.	Apr. 22, 1870	Jan. 20, 1871
Burt, Thomas P.	July 22, 1870	Sep. 7, 1873
Bradbury, James	Apr. 7, 1871	Dec. 1, 1876
Baird, John W.	June 9, 1871	Sep. 20, 1911
Bergen, Peter C.	June 30, 1871	Dec. 10, 1886
Bryant, Daniel	Sep. 8, 1871	Dec. 28, 1886
Bragg, Joshua Ingalls	Apr. 18, 1873	Nov. 15, 1898
Blatt, John A.	Oct. 10, 1873	Dec. 14, 1900
Bachman, John	Dec. 5, 1873	Nov. 7, 1884
Bailey, Benjamin Royal	Mar. 10, 1876	Oct. 26, 1898
Bunnell, John N. (Aff.)	May 12, 1876	Dec. 14, 1877
Bassett, Allan Lee (Aff.)	Feb. 4, 1881	Dec. 19, 1890
Boylan, Harry Lawrence Houston	Nov. 4, 1881	
Boice, Richard Conover	Jan. 2, 1885	
Baldwin, Munson (Aff.)	Nov. 13, 1885	Feb. 24, 1893
Bowne, John Henry (Aff.)	May 7, 1886	Dec. 14, 1900
Berkhout, Jacobus Justus	Nov. 23, 1888	Sep. 25, 1891
Breen, George Henry	Jan. 18, 1889	Nov. 19, 1909
Birney, Samuel, Jr.	Feb. 26, 1892	
Beck, Eugene Joseph	June 23, 1893	
Bilse, William Daniel	Dec. 15, 1893	
Barber, Herbert	July 13, 1894	Nov. 8, 1901
Buchlein, Henry	May 10, 1895	Dec. 5, 1906
Blackmore, James Edward	Mar. 5, 1897	
Blair, George Andrew	Feb. 18, 1898	
Belcher, Charles, Jr.	Apr. 22, 1898	
Braun, Jacob Fred	May 20, 1898	
Balevre, Edward H.	Nov. 10, 1899	
Blank, Henry	Oct. 19, 1900	
Bennett, Leander Searing	Sep. 6, 1901	
Browne, Robert Franklin	Sep. 20, 1901	
Bennett, George William	Oct. 18, 1901	
Barnes, Harry Forster	June 6, 1902	Nov. 17,, 1911
Brown, Horace Adelbert	June 20, 1902	
Bartow, George Edward	Jan. 9, 1903	
Burns, James	Jan. 9, 1903	
Bowerman, George Henry	May 22, 1903	
Boughton, Seymour St. John	June 26, 1903	May 4, 1906
Blanchard, William Lincoln	Sep. 18, 1903	
Blackmore, Lawrence Rendle	Dec. 11, 1903	
Blackmore, Joseph Josiah (Aff.)	Feb. 5, 1904	
Bernhart, John Phillip	Mar. 18, 1904	
Blanchard, Frank	Apr. 8, 1904	

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Barnett, William	Oct. 28, 1904	Dec. 19, 1910
Buchan, Hugh G.	Mar. 31, 1905	Jan. 12, 1912
Bowerman, Arthur Lewis	Apr. 28, 1905	
Betke, George Emil Fredrick	June 2, 1905	
Bock, Frank Joseph	Dec. 16, 1905	
Boese, Bernhard	June 1, 1906	Feb. 2, 1910
Boyle, Daniel Joseph	June 29, 1906	Nov. 19, 1909
Butterworth, Walter Robert	Oct. 12, 1906	
Brown, Thomas Abram	Jan. 17, 1908	
Beatley, Walter	Dec. 10, 1909	
Birch, Walter Ward (Aff.)	June 24, 1910	
Beyerle, John George	July 22, 1910	
Banner, Frank H.	Feb. 10, 1911	
Bauder, Henry Charles	Feb. 10, 1911	
Brown, William Elmer, Jr. (Aff.)	Sep. 8, 1911	May 2, 1913
Bowerman, William Henry	Dec. 8, 1911	
Bunclark, Douglas	Feb. 9, 1912	
Burkhardt, Ernest August	May 3, 1912	
Blinn, Alexander Edward (Aff.)	June 14, 1912	
Boylan, Edwin Turner	Aug. 9, 1912	
Barnes, Frank Densmore	Nov. 8, 1912	
Beegle, Orrén	Nov. 8, 1912	
Bangs, Harry Walter	Mar. 21, 1913	
Brown, Frank W.	May 21, 1915	
Budd, William S.	Nov. 26, 1926	
Brown, George C.	Nov. 26, 1926	
Christie, Thomas (Chr.)	Feb. 6, 1827	Nov. 10, 1829
Carle, John B. (Chr.)	Feb. 6, 1827	Aug. 8, 1831
Campbell, George Washington (Chr.)	Feb. 6, 1827	Sep. 29, 1831
Condit, Sidney (Aff.)	Apr. 12, 1827	Dec. 21, 1841
Chichester, Alfred	Sep. 4, 1827	Nov. 10, 1829
Crockett, John Robinson	Oct. 9, 1828	Jan. 11, 1841
Clearman, Thomas D.	Jan. 23, 1844	June 22, 1846
Clark, John R.	Feb. 19, 1844	Feb. 2, 1849
Clark, William S. B.	Aug. 5, 1844	Sep. 26, 1853
Clowes, Joseph	Mar. 24, 1845	Oct. 5, 1849
Clark, George W.	May 26, 1845	Mar. 19, 1852
Chittenden, Nathaniel W.	Sep. 22, 1845	Sep. 22, 1846
Canfield, Joseph	June 15, 1849	Jan. 13, 1865
Clark, Daniel T.	May 31, 1850	Dec. 23, 1864
Cox, Carson A.	Mar. 28, 1851	Dec. 15, 1854
Case, Sylvester P.	June 18, 1852	Apr. 3, 1876
Clark, James	June 17, 1853	July 16, 1858
Condit, Nathan	Dec. 9, 1853	Dec. 25, 1871
Camfield, David J.	Mar. 3, 1854	Jan. 20, 1876
Clarkson, David	June 13, 1854	Dec. 21, 1855

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Cummings, Alfred H.	Oct. 6, 1854	Apr. 7, 1865
Chevalier, Nicholas W. (Aff.)	Dec. 15, 1854	Dec. 12, 1855
Chambre, A. St. John	Mar. 28, 1856	Apr. 24, 1863
Coit, Charles S.	Apr. 15, 1856	Jan. 15, 1864
Cooke, John (Aff.)	Apr. 18, 1856	Aug. 1, 1891
Collins, Thomas Fulton	Feb. 13, 1857	Aug. 14, 1863
Champenois, Isaac	June 26, 1857	Apr. 22, 1902
Carman, Ezra A.	Apr. 16, 1858	Dec. 13, 1867
Chandler, Marcus (Aff.)	Sep. 17, 1858	June 4, 1897
Crane, Job Sayers	Nov. 5, 1858	May 18, 1899
Coit, George William	Jan. 7, 1859	Aug. 10, 1883
Campfield, John Bergen	July 1, 1859	Dec. 15, 1871
Coleman, John William	Oct. 21, 1859	Mar. 12, 1908
Curtis, Morgan Lewis	Dec. 22, 1859	Dec. 29, 1871
Crane, George W.	Jan. 6, 1860	Sep. 2, 1864
Clements, Charles	Apr. 20, 1860	Dec. 7, 1866
Colyer, Joseph	Apr. 27, 1860	Sep. 21, 1900
Callen, George Barber	May 18, 1860	
Coe, William A.	Aug. 28, 1863	Dec. 18, 1868
Chandler, John Wellington (Aff.)	Nov. 11, 1864	
Courter, James Lewis	June 16, 1865	
Courter, Charles Augustus	June 16, 1865	Dec. 4, 1874
Chadsey, Jacob	May 22, 1866	Jan. 21, 1906
Corey, William Edward	Aug. 31, 1866	Dec. 1, 1913
Codlin, Byron	Feb. 15, 1867	Dec. 10, 1869
Chapman, Robert William	Feb. 22, 1867	Aug. 29, 1905
Cowell, Charles A.	Jan. 17, 1868	June 8, 1883
Coats, Chandler Chauncey	Apr. 17, 1868	Dec. 2, 1907
Conger, Walter Mingus (Aff.)	Apr. 17, 1868	Dec. 14, 1900
Coles, Jacob L.	Sep. 18, 1868	Jan. 15, 1903
Connefry, John	Mar. 26, 1869	Dec. 1, 1876
Collins, Thomas Fulton (Aff.)	May 7, 1869	June 8, 1900
Cook, William H.	Dec. 12, 1870	Sep. 19, 1871
Cowan, William D.	July 21, 1871	Oct. 29, 1902
Cooke, James E.	Jan. 31, 1873	June 8, 1883
Cann, Albert G., (Aff.)	Feb. 2, 1877	Nov. 7, 1884
Coelln, Andrew Henry	May 4, 1877	Dec. 17, 1897
Corwin, William Monro	Dec. 11, 1885	Dec. 28, 1906
Cashion, Harry P.	July 2, 1886	Nov. 8, 1901
Cryer, Albert Augustus	Jun. 19, 1891	
Comeron, Harry James, (Aff.)	Oct. 20, 1893	
Curren, Henry L.	May 25, 1894	Aug. 5, 1905
Collard, Thomas T.	Jan. 17, 1896	
Cryer, Thomas Blackburn	May 20, 1898	
Corson, David, (Aff.)	Sep. 30, 1898	Apr. 22, 1904
Casscles, Issac B., (Aff.)	Mar. 23, 1900	Nov. 20, 1903
Coats, William Gerald	May 25, 1900	Nov. 19, 1909

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Crabbs, Edward Hubley.....	May 3, 1901	
Crook, Charles Benjamin.....	May 9, 1902	Jan. 26, 1906
Clark, James.....	June 27, 1902	
Chapman, Robt. Wm., Jr., (Aff.).....	Apr. 17, 1903	
Colon, George.....	June 26, 1903	
Czarnetzky, Ernest, (Aff.).....	Nov. 18, 1904	
Coats, Schuyler Goodwin.....	Jan. 20, 1905	
Coats, Leo Little.....	Jan. 20, 1905	Nov. 22, 1914
Cole, Albert Stanley.....	Mar. 31, 1905	
Cline, Edward Walter.....	Apr. 28, 1905	
Crane, John Henry.....	June 1, 1906	
Crosby, William Henry.....	May 17, 1907	
Carpenter, George E.....	June 7, 1907	
Cummings, Ray Southard, (Aff.).....	Mar. 19, 1909	June 5, 1914
Chapman, Thomas, (Aff.).....	Sep. 17, 1909	
Cowan, Charles Leo.....	Apr. 29, 1910	Oct. 18, 1912
Chandless, George Born.....	May 5, 1911	
Cooper, Charles Francis Frost.....	Mar. 22, 1912	
Child, Francis, Jr.....	Apr. 12, 1912	
Clark, John Edmund.....	May 3, 1912	
Caldwell, Louis.....	Mar. 21, 1913	
Collins, James C.....	Feb. 26, 1915	
Clark, Dallas L.....	Apr. 23, 1915	
Cameron, Duncan T.....	Nov. 19, 1915	
Cervasio, Germaro, (Aff.).....		Dec. 1, 1916
Carlson, Elof.....	Feb. 16, 1917	
Curstems, Frederick M.....	Sep. 14, 1917	
Cryer, Clifford T. L.....	Nov. 5, 1917	
Cattell, William.....	Nov. 22, 1918	
Cottrell, Stanley M.....	Apr. 30, 1920	
Coleman, Ellis B.....	June 18, 1920	
Cook, Robert F.....	Oct. 28, 1921	
Cornish, David Chester.....	Dec. 1, 1922	
Childress, Bernard G.....	Dec. 14, 1923	
Crane, Harry.....	Apr. 18, 1924	
Charles, Martin A.....	May 29, 1925	
Calkins, L. Homer.....	Dec. 4, 1925	
Day, Matthias, (Chr.).....	Feb. 6, 1827	1845
Drewer, John, (Aff.).....	Jan. 29, 1828	Nov. 13, 1832
Doyle, Jeremiah.....	Apr. 1837	Nov. 14, 1856
David, John E., (Aff.).....	Feb. 17, 1843	1847
Donaldson, James A., (Aff.).....	Feb. 17, 1843	Aug. 20, 1858
Dimmick, David.....	Feb. 22, 1845	Dec. 19, 1851
Dodd, Eleazer M.....	Nov. 28, 1845	July 31, 1854
Dunham, Peter Runyon.....	Mar. 9, 1846	Feb. 26, 1874
Daughaday, John H., (Aff.).....	Apr. 13, 1846	Dec. 12, 1851

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Dorman, Dennis W.	Mar. 4, 1853	Sep. 9, 1853
Devausney, Thomas Henry	Apr. 15, 1853	Dec. 26, 1862
Dingwell, David	Dec. 9, 1853	Dec. 28, 1855
Dean, Daniel A.	June 16, 1854	Nov. 25, 1867
Dodd, Frederick C.	Oct. 7, 1854	Dec. 28, 1855
DeRance, William	Jan. 25, 1855	Mar. 24, 1891
Denton, John R. S.	Jan. 18, 1856	Mar. 14, 1890
Dennis, John C., (Aff.)	Dec. 17, 1858	Dec. 4, 1874
Delaney, Daniel	Apr. 1, 1859	Dec. 13, 1867
Donnington, John W., (Aff.)	May 13, 1859	Dec. 13, 1861
DeCoster, William M.	Aug. 31, 1860	Dec. 13, 1867
Davy, John J.	June 21, 1861	Oct. 4, 1872
Ditmars, John	Jan. 24, 1862	Dec. 21, 1866
Dunbar, Peter S.	July 11, 1862	Dec. 18, 1868
Davis, John, (Aff.)	Feb. 27, 1863	May 15, 1913
Dutton, James W.	Apr. 8, 1864	Jan. 4, 1889
Duder, William	Sep. 30, 1864	Oct. 13, 1867
Davis, John W.	Nov. 5, 1864	Mar. 18, 1892
Daly, Charles H.	Jan. 24, 1865	Jan. 3, 1873
Davis, Samuel Post	Sep. 28, 1866	
Dodd, Samuel	Sep. 13, 1867	Dec. 10, 1875
Darnsteadt, Richard Otto	June 26, 1868	Feb. 26, 1875
Dey, Francis Asbury	July 10, 1868	
Deas, William	Sep. 24, 1869	Jan. 10, 1879
Dey, John Wesley, (Aff.)	Feb. 4, 1870	
Ditmars, John Van Harlingen	Feb. 25, 1870	
DeVausney, Jacob	Apr. 8, 1870	Feb. 1, 1889
Demars, William	Nov. 13, 1874	Dec. 7, 1894
Dunham, Lewis E., (Aff.)	June 18, 1875	Jan. 10, 1879
Davis, Ebenezer W.	July 5, 1878	Dec. 18, 1891
Dimon, George Washington	Mar. 8, 1889	July 25, 1902
DeGoode, Colman J.	Dec. 11, 1891	Dec. 14, 1900
Davidson, John, (Aff.)	Oct. 28, 1892	Oct. 27, 1905
Devine, Frederick J.	Dec. 8, 1893	Dec. 14, 1900
Dingee, Joseph C.	Feb. 16, 1894	
Dye, James Wyckoff, (Aff.)	Mar. 29, 1895	Nov. 20, 1903
Dallas, George Mifflin	May 10, 1895	
Disbrow, Henry Griffin, (Aff.)	Jan. 24, 1896	
Dean, John	Oct. 30, 1896	
Douglass, Louis Watkins	Feb. 11, 1898	
Dickerson, George A.	Feb. 18, 1898	Feb. 16, 1909
Downs, George W.	Apr. 6, 1900	Feb. 19, 1909
Dauth, Max Joseph	May 25, 1900	
Dawson, Thomas William	Nov. 2, 1900	
Dean, James Edgar	Mar. 29, 1901	
Dalrymple, Alfred Newton	Sep. 20, 1901	
Dimsey, Willard	June 23, 1905	

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Dilly, Louis Fred.....	Apr. 27, 1906	
Doebner, Frederick C.....	June 1, 1906	Dec. 13, 1912
Davis, Harry B.....	Nov. 23, 1906	
Dunkinson, William Edward.....	Sep. 20, 1907	
Dobson, Thomas Arthur.....	Oct. 8, 1909	
Drown, Harry Van Valkenburg.....	Nov. 12, 1909	
Dove, William Ellsworth, Jr.....	Dec. 9, 1910	
Dutcher, Charles Beach.....	Apr. 7, 1911	
Dunkinson, Charles Ritter.....	May 19, 1911	
Dickson, Joseph Raupach.....	Nov. 24, 1911	
Dobson, Hugh James.....	Feb. 9, 1912	
Drane, Edwin Snyder (Aff.).....	June 28, 1912	
Dunn, Charles Steveson.....	July 12, 1912	
Dunn, Charles Steveson, Jr.....	July 12, 1912	
Dilts, Ulysses Grant.....	Oct. 24, 1913	
Dye, Robert.....	Mar. 27, 1914	
Dunkel, Fred. C.....	Feb. 26, 1915	
Dean, Thomas P.....	June 18, 1915	
Doerr, John.....	Mar. 30, 1917	
Donaly, Leslie K.....	Aug. 21, 1917	
Davis, Clarence F.....	Nov. 28, 1919	
Dotterweich, Herbert J.....	Feb. 20, 1920	
Dennis, George L.....	Oct. 14, 1921	
Dannerman, Frederick.....	Feb. 17, 1922	
Duffie, Frank.....	Apr. 25, 1924	
Deck, John.....	June 20, 1924	
David, Edward John.....	May 29, 1925	
Darling, R. J.....	Nov. 26, 1926	
Earl, William Henry (Aff.).....	Mar. 13, 1827	May 19, 1857
Eckerbusch, Carl.....	Nov. 14, 1844	Dec. 19, 1851
Eagles, Alexander.....	May 15, 1848	Apr. 16, 1852
Eagles, Alfred.....	May 15, 1848	May 6, 1853
Eagles, Israel C.....	Aug. 7, 1848	Apr. 16, 1852
Eagles, William Crane.....	Mar. 15, 1850	Apr. 23, 1897
Eastman, William Pitt.....	Mar. 6, 1857	Mar. 29, 1872
Easton, Samuel B.....	Mar. 2, 1860	Dec. 18, 1868
Easton, Edwin.....	Dec. 14, 1860	Dec. 7, 1866
Eberhardt, Ulrich.....	Jan. 13, 1865	Mar. 31, 1901
Ellinger, Morris.....	Sep. 22, 1865	Dec. 18, 1868
Edwards, Charles Henry.....	Mar. 20, 1868	Dec. 13, 1912
Eberhardt, Frederick L'Hommedieu.....	Dec. 6, 1889	
Eberhardt, Ulrich, Jr.....	June 30, 1893	
Enderlin, Ferdinand, Jr.....	Apr. 24, 1903	
Elkins, James Harry.....	June 26, 1903	
Elliott, Levi Dewight.....	June 23, 1905	
Ehrhardt, Frank R.....	June 7, 1907	

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Edwards, Frank Marshall	Oct. 24, 1913	
Edwards, Nelson E.	Nov. 5, 1915	
Edson, Edward M.	Feb. 25, 1916	
Etsel, William F.	Feb. 25, 1921	
Eason, W. E.	June 27, 1921	
Ehman, H. C.	June 20, 1924	
Edwards, Howell T.	Dec. 19, 1924	
Force, Benjamin W.	Sep. 4, 1827	Oct. 26, 1830
Fairclo, Paul T.	Mar. 6, 1838	Nov. 7, 1840
Ford, Stephen K.	Jan. 16, 1845	Mar. 29, 1847
Frederick, Michael C.	Mar. 13, 1848	June 11, 1879
Freeman, Jonathan D.	May 24, 1850	Oct. 16, 1900
Fowler, James F.	Apr. 8, 1853	July 26, 1891
Ferris, Walter M. (Aff.)	May 13, 1853	Dec. 26, 1862
Fairchild, Jonathan	May 20, 1853	Nov. 4, 1891
Freiday, Jacob	Sep. 17, 1853	Dec. 18, 1891
Fredericks, Nicholas John	Mar. 10, 1854	May 19, 1874
Francisco, Edward	Dec. 7, 1860	June 22, 1888
Faulks, William	Apr. 21, 1865	Dec. 18, 1868
Ferguson, Joseph	Sep. 20, 1867	Dec. 4, 1874
Farrow, Francis A.	July 1, 1869	Dec. 1, 1876
Freeland, Abraham N.	Nov. 18, 1870	
Forster, John	June 2, 1871	Feb. 3, 1889
Flanagan, George	June 9, 1871	Dec. 10, 1875
Frey, Albert	Apr. 19, 1872	Oct. 23, 1873
Frith, William P. (Aff.)	Nov. 1, 1872	Jan. 10, 1879
Frederick, Charles F.	Apr. 3, 1874	Mar. 28, 1879
Fitzpatrick, Terence	May 8, 1874	Mar. 2, 1888
Frey, Albert	June 5, 1885	May 17, 1907
Feola, Raffaele	Mar. 6, 1891	
Fischer, George Washington	June 28, 1901	
Fischer, William Charles	May 22, 1903	
Fischer, Frederick Carl	July 1, 1904	
Farmer, Alonzo Edward	June 2, 1905	Nov. 19, 1909
Fritts, Harry Skinner	Sep. 28, 1906	
Forman, Leslie Daniel	Sep. 20, 1907	
Finch, David Leno	June 26, 1908	
Felten, Otto Ritchard	Jan. 22, 1909	
Fischer, Robert Edmund	Oct. 8, 1909	
Frank, William	Oct. 8, 1909	
Freytag, Charles Fred	May 19, 1911	
Fischer, Paul Martin	July 12, 1912	Dec. 18, 1914
Feil, John	Nov. 8, 1912	
Ford, Frederick	Nov. 24, 1916	
French, Frederick J.	Mar. 30, 1917	
Fisher, Frank F.	Feb. 20, 1920	

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Falstrom, Theodore G.	June 18, 1920	
Finn, Hildebert	July 1, 1921	
Fern, Fred S.	Nov. 18, 1921	
Fisler, Samuel H.	May 29, 1922	
Falstrom, Bert. M.	June 18, 1926	
Garside, John	Feb. 19, 1839	Apr. 16, 1852
Gale, Thomas P.	Feb. 19, 1839	Aug. 27, 1846
Gamble, James S. (Aff.)	Feb. 17, 1843	Mar. 2, 1849
Golder, Joseph	Sep. 8, 1845	Dec. 29, 1854
Green, James Harvey (Aff.)	Mar. 11, 1853	July 18, 1894
Given, Robert	June 24, 1853	Dec. 13, 1861
Gordon, George (Aff.)	Aug. 17, 1855	Aug. 17, 1856
Grover, James Wheelock (Aff.)	July 16, 1858	Jan. 9, 1885
Gould, Stephen M. (Aff.)	June 15, 1860	Feb. 9, 1875
Greacen, Walter	Oct. 10, 1862	Dec. 6, 1878
Greives, John	Oct. 2, 1863	Apr. 18, 1886
Gardner, Deselding	Dec. 18, 1863	Apr. 9, 1868
Goeller, Edward, Jr.	June 17, 1864	May 7, 1894
Gilbert, Charles J.	May 5, 1865	Dec. 1, 1876
Griswold, William	Dec. 1, 1865	May 16, 1873
Greathead, William Filburn (Aff.)	Feb. 1, 1867	Dec. 1, 1876
Garabrant, Smith, Jr.	Mar. 15, 1867	
Gay, Matthew Thomas	Aug. 9, 1867	Nov. 26, 1886
Green, William C.	Aug. 23, 1867	Jan. 28, 1881
Gulick, Andrew J.	June 19, 1868	Dec. 4, 1874
Goud, William	Mar. 24, 1871	Jan. 10, 1879
Goddard, Charles	June 16, 1871	
Gerth, Robert Gustave (Aff.)	July 28, 1871	
Green, William E.	June 18, 1875	Apr. 14, 1882
Gedicke, Hermann W.	Jan. 12, 1877	Mar. 5, 1891
Gartz, Frederick, Jr.	May 21, 1880	Nov. 7, 1913
Gegenheimer, John Peter	Dec. 4, 1885	
Grafke, August	Apr. 17, 1891	
Giese, Carl August	June 17, 1892	
Gerrish, Harry H.	Nov. 11, 1892	Dec. 14, 1900
Grimes, Theodore Leonard	Apr. 29, 1898	
Geery, Samuel W. (Aff.)	Dec. 29, 1899	Sep. 5, 1910
Green, John Burk	July 6, 1900	
Goulding, Robert Aitken	Oct. 4, 1901	June 15, 1906
Groebe, Guido O.	Nov. 28, 1902	
Gochring, George V., Jr.	July 1, 1904	
Gaynor, John Morrow	June 2, 1905	Mar. 25, 1910
Gracie, George William (Aff.)	June 28, 1907	
Glentworth, Henry Richards	Oct. 25, 1907	
Grosshauser, Emil Theodore	May 5, 1911	
Griffin, Wallace Boody (Aff.)	Apr. 5, 1912	
Geiger, John Charles	Oct. 25, 1912	
Gwynne, William Elmore	Nov. 8, 1912	

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Green, Harvey Hinchman.....	Dec. 20, 1912	
Green, Walter Edward.....	Dec. 20, 1912	
Gifford, Clarence Marshall.....	Oct. 24, 1913	
Gustafson, Anders Eliard.....	May 26, 1916	
Goehring, George.....	June 18, 1920	
Geyer, George H.....	June 25, 1920	
Gutzat, Frank.....	Dec. 10, 1920	
Goehring, Bernhardt.....	Dec. 10, 1920	
Gerdes, Chas. H.....	Dec. 7, 1922	
Glover, William A.....	Apr. 18, 1924	
Griffin, Charles James.....	Mar. 13, 1925	
Hedden, James (Chr.).....	Feb. 6, 1827	May 18, 1838
Halsey, William (Chr.).....	Feb. 6, 1827	Aug. 16, 1843
Harrison, Japhia (Chr.).....	Feb. 6, 1827	Nov. 13, 1833
Hewson, James (Aff.).....	Apr. 12, 1827	May 10, 1849
Hull, Gorham A.....	Aug. 30, 1831	Jan. 1, 1833
Higginson, John H. (Aff.).....	Sep. 20, 1836 1841
Hillyer, Edward Truman.....	May 19, 1845	Jan. 4, 1850
Hammell, James.....	Feb. 9, 1846	Oct. 17, 1848
Hard, Melville Thomas (Aff.).....	Mar. 23, 1846	June 30, 1878
Hankins, George V.....	June 22, 1846	Apr. 21, 1854
Hall, George.....	May 8, 1848 1857
Hopwood, Richard.....	May 7, 1852	Dec. 15, 1889
Honeywell, Stephen.....	Feb. 25, 1853	Nov. 14, 1856
Herrick, John C.....	Mar. 10, 1854	May 23, 1867
Henderson, Lucius M.....	Mar. 31, 1854	Dec. 16, 1864
Huxster, William Bridal.....	Mar. 9, 1855	Jan. 25, 1905
Hughes, George.....	Apr. 15, 1856	Nov. 30, 1860
Howell, Henry H.....	May 16, 1856	Dec. 13, 1867
Holmes, Hugh.....	Sep. 19, 1856	Jan. 10, 1868
Howell, George W. (Aff.).....	Oct. 10, 1856	Oct. 30, 1857
Hay, Adam.....	Feb. 6, 1857	Oct. 28, 1877
Hopper, Peter.....	July 31, 1857	Dec. 13, 1861
Headley, Benjamin Frank.....	Sep. 25, 1857	Feb. 16, 1872
Hughes, John.....	Apr. 22, 1859	Sep. 28, 1879
Hunter, John Wesley (Aff.).....	Sep. 16, 1859	May 6, 1861
Hogan, George.....	Dec. 9, 1859	July 14, 1870
Hastings, John.....	Feb. 28, 1860	Feb. 12, 1876
Hahne, Julius.....	June 1, 1860	Feb. 7, 1895
Hay, Ebenezer Calvin.....	Sep. 14, 1860	
Heath, William A.....	Nov. 16, 1860	Dec. 12, 1862
Hobson, Charles.....	Dec. 14, 1860	Jan. 21, 1898
Herrick, William N. (Aff.).....	Jan. 25, 1861	Dec. 29, 1871
Hassell, John, Jr.....	Jan. 9, 1863	Feb. 2, 1870
Howard, Thomas.....	Apr. 17, 1863	Mar. 15, 1868
Harris, Horace.....	Sep. 29, 1863	Mar. 24, 1871
Harrison, Henry B.....	Oct. 9, 1863	July 12, 1872

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Hubbard, George W.	Oct. 16, 1863	Apr. 28, 1865
Harris, George M.	Sep. 22, 1864	Sep. 21, 1866
Hidalgo, Gabriel	Dec. 9, 1864	Feb. 19, 1907
Helbig, Albert	Jan. 24, 1865	Dec. 10, 1886
Hunter, Alfred Smith	Feb. 24, 1865	Jan. 13, 1892
Hart, George E.	Sep. 1, 1865	Jan. 8, 1875
Hathaway, Charles T.	Feb. 23, 1866	Nov. 7, 1884
Hargreaves, Henry	May 25, 1866	Dec. 21, 1886
Harris, George M. (Aff.)	July 24, 1868	Jan. 21, 1870
Hankins, Charles W.	Mar. 5, 1869	Mar. 7, 1879
Hosfield, Christopher A.	July 30, 1869	Dec. 10, 1875
Hutchison, Robert	Dec. 10, 1869	Mar. 6, 1877
Hastings, John T.	Jan. 13, 1871	Jan. 10, 1902
Howard, Charles Henry	Sep. 1, 1871	
Harrison, Thomas Jefferson	Nov. 24, 1871	Mar. 7, 1879
Hunt, Thomas Cook	Jan. 17, 1873	Feb. 2, 1894
Hoagland, William H.	Oct. 31, 1873	Mar. 29, 1907
Hicks, Charles	Sep. 11, 1874	May 5, 1908
Hatch, Greenleaf F.	Mar. 26, 1875	Feb. 6, 1885
Hutchison, James Robert	June 4, 1875	Aug. 12, 1903
Harris, Horace (Aff.)	Feb. 4, 1876	Nov. 7, 1884
Harte, Edmund F. (Aff.)	Oct. 6, 1876	Mar. 7, 1879
Henry, Ebenezer (Aff.)	July 11, 1879	Dec. 16, 1892
Hawk, James W. (Aff.)	Dec. 12, 1879	Aug. 29, 1906
Hahne, Charles Conrad	May 14, 1880	
Hathaway, Isaac Hays	June 23, 1882	Oct. 24, 1897
Homberger, Albert	May 25, 1883	Aug. 6, 1897
Herold, Oscar Emile	Apr. 27, 1888	Nov. 22, 1896
Hahn, John William	Feb. 7, 1890	
Heinzelman, Andrew	Oct. 31, 1890	Dec. 14, 1900
Hemminger, Louis	May 1, 1891	July 23, 1910
Heagany, Michael T.	Mar. 4, 1892	Dec. 19, 1902
Holt, Wilbur E.	Mar. 24, 1893	
Hooper, Irvin Gilbert	May 19, 1893	Apr. 3, 1913
Hooper, George Bates	Dec. 1, 1893	
Holt, Frank	May 18, 1894	Jan. 20, 1911
Haworth, William Walter	Jan. 11, 1895	
Haufler, George Frederick	Feb. 1, 1895	
Haufler, Andrew Force	Feb. 1, 1895	
Heitlinger, John C.	Oct. 11, 1895	Jan. 24, 1904
Hankinson, Frederick William	Oct. 28, 1898	Nov. 17, 1911
Hose, Fred W.	May 3, 1899	Dec. 13, 1912
Huger, William	Oct. 19, 1900	
Hoffman, Charles	June 20, 1902	
Hayward, Willard Lincoln	Dec. 11, 1903	Feb. 27, 1914
Humphreys, Thomas W. E.	Jan. 22, 1904	
Hock, Frederick W.	May 27, 1904	Sep. 22, 1911

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Herdrick, Otto L.	Mar. 17, 1905	
Hoag, Harry Scott	Mar. 17, 1905	
Haffner, Matthew, Jr.	July 7, 1905	
Huneke, Fredrick Henry	Dec. 9, 1905	
Henderson, William	Nov. 23, 1906	
Hampton, Robert	Dec. 7, 1906	
Hoesly, Harry Frances	Feb. 1, 1907	July 6, 1913
Housman, John Franklin	Feb. 1, 1907	
Honeywell, George W.	Nov. 8, 1907	
Haines, Raymond DeWitt	Feb. 14, 1908	
Harkness, Adam (Aff.)	Apr. 17, 1908	
Holton, Elliott Bartley	Dec. 4, 1908	
Helmrich, William Felix Adolf	Dec. 5, 1909	
Holmberg, Frank J. (Aff.)	May 7, 1909	
Hume, Samuel Elliott	Jan. 14, 1910	
Heinsheimer, Walter Bleything	Apr. 29, 1910	Mar. 31, 1914
Hollingsworth, Smith Armor	Dec. 30, 1910	
Hedden, Charles Rahbach (Aff.)	Mar. 17, 1911	
Haas, Gustave	Dec. 15, 1911	
Herr, Clarence Haverstick	Apr. 12, 1912	
Havens, William Albert	July 12, 1912	
Hogg, Arthur William	July 12, 1912	
Hayllar, Henry	Aug. 9, 1912	
Helmrich, Alfred	Sep. 27, 1912	
Harding, William Thomas	Nov. 8, 1912	
Herrmann, Wallace	Nov. 8, 1912	
Haight, Charles Lucien (Aff.)	Feb. 28, 1913	
Hugill, Ashton Chester (Aff.)	May 2, 1913	
Halsey, Edward Jay (Aff.)	Aug. 1, 1913	
Hayward, Charles Henry Douglas	Nov. 28, 1913	
Horak, Charles Antony	Feb. 27, 1914	
Herbert, Frederick Ernest	June 19, 1914	
Holzhauser, William J.	Jan. 22, 1915	
Hoeschele, Fred	June 16, 1916	
Hanselman, Christian W.	Feb. 16, 1917	
Hofacker, William A.	Sep. 21, 1917	
Herme, William	Sep. 21, 1917	
Hayward, William S.	Nov. 5, 1917	
Hayward, Chas. S.	Oct. 24, 1919	
Hanko, Reinhardt E.	June 7, 1918	
Herman, Chas. W.	May 23, 1919	
Hayward, Chas. S.	Oct. 24, 1919	
Hoeley, Leroy G.	Mar. 19, 1920	
Harderer, William S.	June 18, 1920	
Hoesly, Walter L.	June 25, 1920	
Herman, Benjamin J.	Oct. 22, 1920	
Hubel, John F.	Feb. 4, 1921	

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Hyde, Robert J.....	Mar. 18, 1921	
Heisley, Elven Stout.....	Mar. 18, 1921	
Hardesty, George W.....	Mar. 18, 1921	
Howell, George.....	June 27, 1921	
Holzhauser, Edwin Frank.....	Dec. 1, 1922	
Hartley, Albert G. (Aff.).....	May 25, 1923	
Havens, Herbert E.....	Oct. 5, 1923	
Hague, Edward F., Jr.....	Nov. 9, 1923	
Hinton, A. N.....	Apr. 25, 1924	
Hogeboom, Edward R.....	Nov. 21, 1924	
Haas, John.....	May 29, 1925	
Heerwagen, Charles.....	1925	
Handschuh, Herman.....	June 18, 1926	
Inslee, William Harvey.....	July 17, 1863	July 24, 1898
Iliff, Elias P. (Aff.).....	Apr. 6, 1894	Dec. 22, 1901
Irish, John J.....	Apr. 16, 1920	
Iverson, Edward N.....	Dec. 2, 1921	
Johnson, William.....	Sep. 4, 1827	Jan. 22, 1844
Jackson, John.....	July 23, 1839	Nov. 7, 1840
Jones, Henry C. (Aff.).....	Sep. 9, 1844	Feb. 14, 1851
Jewell, Aaron C.....	Jan. 14, 1853	Mar. 4, 1853
Jennings, John C.....	Oct. 12, 1855	Nov. 30, 1860
Jones, George Henry.....	Apr. 15, 1856	Apr. 25, 1856
Jones, Henry (Aff.).....	Apr. 18, 1856	Sep. 18, 1872
Jacobus, Cornelius.....	Nov. 7, 1856	Mar. 3, 1865
Joralemon, Nicholas T.....	Nov. 28, 1856	Jan. 5, 1877
Jones, Charles LaFayette.....	Aug. 20, 1858	Mar. 1, 1905
Jones, Joseph Lewis.....	Aug. 5, 1859	Sep. 18, 1863
Jimerson, John B.....	Apr. 20, 1860	Dec. 22, 1865
Jones, Frank.....	Jan. 24, 1865	Dec. 11, 1891
Jarvis, Alexander.....	July 26, 1867	Aug. 12, 1870
Jerolamon, Amzi.....	June 20, 1873	Nov. 7, 1884
Jacobus, Edward Boyer.....	July 2, 1886	
Jacobus, William Francis.....	Mar. 11, 1887	
Jones, William Henry.....	Mar. 9, 1888	May 27, 1898
Johns, Robert Gwilyn (Aff.).....	Feb. 28, 1890	Dec. 8, 1898
Jenkins, Wilson L.....	Dec. 11, 1896	
Jones, William Henry (Aff.).....	Nov. 25, 1898	
Jacobus, Edwin Dewitt.....	Dec. 19, 1902	Feb. 22, 1914
Jacobus, Henry V. Elwood.....	Oct. 12, 1906	
James, Thomas McCarroll.....	Oct. 9, 1908	
Jones, James Harkness.....	Jan. 22, 1909	
Jones, James Collins (Aff.).....	Mar. 31, 1911	
James, Henry Gordon.....	May 3, 1912	

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Jourdan, Charles Louis.....	Aug. 9, 1912	
Jumelet, Jack Leonard.....	Dec. 19, 1913	
Jacobus, Wilbur E.....	May 21, 1915	
Kerr, William F. (Aff.).....	Mar. 6, 1838	Nov. 10, 1843
Kreiss, John W.....	Oct. 22, 1839 1843
Kirkpatrick, Thomas.....	May 19, 1845	Sep. 1, 1861
Kirkpatrick, Hugh.....	Mar. 9, 1853	Oct. 27, 1854
King, John P.....	Dec. 6, 1853	Jan. 11, 1856
Kellar, William C.....	Apr. 17, 1856	May 8, 1857
Knapp, Erastus.....	May 15, 1855	Nov. 30, 1860
Keve, Isaac M.....	Oct. 31, 1856	Dec. 7, 1866
Knowles, Joseph H.....	Dec. 19, 1856	Nov. 22, 1867
Keer, Friedrich.....	Dec. 2, 1859	Jan. 23, 1863
Kinnard, Hugh.....	Feb. 13, 1863	
Keene, Jesse.....	Jan. 15, 1864	Oct. 24, 1870
Keen, George A., Jr.....	Oct. 28, 1864	Mar. 17, 1872
Knight, Willard, Jr.....	Apr. 21, 1865	Dec. 7, 1866
Keisler, Jacob H.....	May 5, 1865	Dec. 13, 1867
Keisler, Andrew.....	May 5, 1865	Dec. 13, 1867
Kay, Robert L.....	July 27, 1866	Oct. 7, 1889
Knapp, John Robert.....	Aug. 7, 1866	
Kilburn, Jabez D. (Aff.).....	Oct. 23, 1868	Dec. 10, 1886
Kipp, William Anthony.....	July 29, 1870	June 18, 1896
Kidd, James.....	Apr. 26, 1872	Dec. 10, 1875
Kingsley, Henry Arthur.....	Nov. 29, 1872	July 14, 1898
Keve, Uriah.....	Apr. 11, 1879	
Kowalewski, Eugene Antony.....	Oct. 16, 1885	May 31, 1902
Kimball, Granville.....	Oct. 26, 1888	Dec. 16, 1898
Kinnear, William D.....	Apr. 13, 1894	Mar. 27, 1905
Kellner, Henry Ludwig.....	Jan. 21, 1898	
Kilduff, Arthur Daniel.....	Jan. 11, 1901	Sep. 13, 1907
Kieb, William J.....	Oct. 24, 1902	
Kenann, Walter Clarke.....	Nov. 28, 1902	Aug. 31, 1912
Koether, Bernard Gustave.....	Nov. 28, 1902	
Koester, William Henry.....	Oct. 28, 1904	
Keve, Walter Uriah.....	June 2, 1905	
Kennedy, William J.....	Sep. 29, 1905	
Kautzmann, Charles William.....	Dec. 1, 1905	
Koehler, Paul Jr.....	Nov. 23, 1906	
Kearney, Frank Elmer.....	June 7, 1907	
Kraemer, Harry John.....	Feb. 14, 1908	
Kovach, Andrew.....	Sep. 25, 1908	
Klein, Edward John.....	Mar. 11, 1910	
Kuebler, William.....	June 3, 1910	
Kaulke, Johannes.....	July 1, 1910	
Kerr, Jacob Grover.....	June 9, 1911	

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Kelley, Arthur Banard.....	June 9, 1911	
King, George Walton (Aff.).....	Nov. 3, 1911	
Kronenberg, Richard Karl.....	Apr. 12, 1912	
Kastner, Arthur Edward.....	Aug. 9, 1912	
Keisler, David Garrison.....	Oct. 25, 1912	
Kappler, Charles Karl.....	Dec. 20, 1912	
Kastner, Edward Arthur.....	Sep. 19, 1913	
Kluge, Frederick O.....	Jan. 22, 1915	
Keehl, Sullivan G.....	May 21, 1915	
Kunz, George W.....	June 11, 1920	
Kuhlewein, Kurt.....	Oct. 22, 1920	
Kautzman, Henry F.....	Feb. 4, 1921	
Knegler, Walter Harry.....	Feb. 25, 1921	
Kieb, William G.....	Feb. 3, 1923	
Kapps, I. Charles.....	May 29, 1922	
Karl John.....	June 23, 1922	
Kautzman, George.....	Oct. 27, 1922	
Kirschbaum, William.....	June 29, 1923	
Krane, Oswald H.....	June 20, 1924	
Kershaw, John.....	Nov. 21, 1924	
Krauss, Paul.....	Nov. 21, 1924	
Lees, Joseph W.....	Mar. 6, 1838	Jan. 27, 1847
Lenhart, John L. (Aff.).....	Feb. 10, 1845	Mar. 8, 1862
Lockwood, Danel W.....	July 5, 1849	Dec. 20, 1850
Leibe, William.....	July 19, 1850	Dec. 5, 1851
Little, Isaac M. (Aff.).....	June 20, 1851	Dec. 29, 1854
Lewis, Joseph Kearney.....	June 14, 1852	June 12, 1863
Lindsley, Francis.....	June 25, 1852	June 4, 1858
Lyon, Silas Smith.....	Oct. 7, 1853	Nov. 28, 1883
Littell, William.....	Mar. 31, 1854	Jan. 29, 1864
Linnell, James S.....	Dec. 23, 1854	Nov. 30, 1860
Leonard, Caleb H.....	Feb. 2, 1855	Feb. 1, 1856
Lyon, Luther K.....	Feb. 9, 1855	Jan. 11, 1871
Lore, Dallas D. (Aff.).....	May, 25, 1855	Jan. 29, 1864
Lawson, William W.....	July 10, 1857	Dec. 18, 1891
Lawrence, Jacob L.....	Sep. 25, 1857	Dec. 16, 1870
Leonard, Caleb H. (Aff.).....	Oct. 2, 1857	May 24, 1875
Lourie, Solomon.....	Apr. 22, 1859	Oct. 5, 1866
Lutz, Paul H.....	Sep. 30, 1859	Nov. 15, 1878
Lockwood, Richard Bowen (Aff.).....	Jan. 27, 1860	Mar. 22, 1901
Lavinia, William H.....	May 4, 1860	Dec. 18, 1868
Lydecker, George E.....	Dec. 5, 1862	Sep. 23, 1898
Lands, George W.....	June 12, 1863	Aug. 26, 1870
Littlehale, John Harrison D.....	Sep. 11, 1863	Feb. 17, 1871
Lee, Charles W.....	Feb. 19, 1864	Apr. 8, 1884
Lerow, Jacob H.....	Mar. 31, 1865	Dec. 1, 1876

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Lancaster, John (Aff.)	May 20, 1865	Dec. 16, 1870
Lewis, John	Aug. 30, 1867	Apr. 12, 1872
Lindsley, Irenaeus H.	Dec. 20, 1867	Oct. 15, 1880
Lackey, James	Feb. 26, 1869	Apr. 29, 1906
Lowenthal, Louis	May 13, 1870	Nov. 11, 1870
Leake, Alanson	Mar. 31, 1871	Nov. 7, 1884
Lackland, James E.	Nov. 22, 1872	Dec. 10, 1875
Lawson, William Franklin	Jan. 28, 1876	
Labiaux, John L. (Aff.)	Feb. 4, 1876	Feb. 1, 1907
Lyon, Frederick Herbert	June 24, 1881	Jan. 1, 1896
Lee, William H. C.	Jan. 6, 1888	Dec. 14, 1894
Lawson, Walter Alexander	Feb. 19, 1892	
Lawshe, Theodore Thatcher	Oct. 27, 1893	
Lacey, John Cowper	Mar. 20, 1896	
Loewenstein, Joseph	June 10, 1898	
Leith, Edward Roland	Apr. 25, 1902	
Lamot, George F. M.	Dec. 12, 1902	
Lance, George Marshal	Mar. 27, 1903	
Lee, Lyman	Dec. 16, 1904	
Lawson, Louis W.	Nov. 10, 1905	
Leitch, Dabney (Aff.)	Dec. 15, 1905	
Lehlbach, Charles F.	Mar. 9, 1906	
Ledig, Kurt Carl	Mar. 10, 1911	
Laible, George Philip	Dec. 13, 1912	
Lay, Harold Wilbur	June 10, 1914	
Lawson, Axel Julius	May 26, 1916	
Lynch, John T.	Jan. 30, 1920	
Lerchen, Edward H.	July 2, 1920	
Lozier, Harry G.	Mar. 18, 1921	
Linfonti, Chas. W.	Nov. 18, 1921	
Law, Daniel W.	Feb. 3, 1922	
Laubenstein, Chas. A.	Apr. 20, 1923	
Laurance, William G.	Mar. 13, 1925	
Lemon, Walter D.	Feb. 26, 1926	
Morris, John, Jr. (Chr.)	Feb. 6, 1827	Aug. 19, 1828
Morgan, Ralph	Mar. 21, 1827	Jan. 3, 1838
Merchant, Ira (Aff.)	Nov. 19, 1839	Jan. 11, 1841
Merchant, Ira (Aff.)	Feb. 17, 1843	Mar. 25, 1853
McCarroll, Thomas	Nov. 8, 1843	Jan. 25, 1856
Morris, Staats Smith	Jan. 29, 1844	Dec. 22, 1845
Martin, Robert	July 1, 1846	Dec. 31, 1852
McNab, Thomas	June 28, 1847	Mar. 28, 1856
Morris, Dennis W.	May 16, 1851	Apr. 16, 1852
McClure, Thomas H.	May 3, 1852	July 1, 1859
Meeker, David J.	Mar. 4, 1853	Dec. 19, 1856
Myers, Francis Miller	Sep. 30, 1853	

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Marsh, David B.	Oct. 14, 1853 1854
Moore, Asher (Aff.)	Dec. 16, 1853	Nov. 30, 1860
Mead, George E.	May 19, 1854	Dec. 15, 1871
Moore, George DeGraw	June 27, 1854	Feb. 1, 1884
McSirley, John	Oct. 7, 1854	Jan. 4, 1856
Macknet, Theodore	Nov. 21, 1854	July 5, 1889
Mix, John	Apr. 12, 1855	Jan. 25, 1856
Martin, Peter W., Jr.	May 11, 1855	Jan. 11, 1856
Moran, Francis	May 22, 1855	
Martin, Henry L.	June 29, 1855	Dec. 28, 1855
Martin, Charles E.	Aug. 17, 1855	Jan. 11, 1856
Mackie, Andrew, (Aff.)	Nov. 2, 1855	Feb. 24, 1860
Maurer, Peter	Nov. 30, 1855	Nov. 30, 1860
Masterson, John H.	Feb. 1, 1856	Mar. 11, 1864
McCarroll, William J.	Nov. 21, 1856	Dec. 7, 1866
Miller, James Wesley	Dec. 12, 1856	Feb. 9, 1899
Meeker, Daniel B.	Jan. 23, 1857	Dec. 26, 1862
McCarroll, Thomas, (Aff.)	Mar. 13, 1857	May 8, 1860
Myers, Nicholas S.	May 8, 1857	Nov. 29, 1857
Macknet, Sylvester	June 26, 1857	Apr. 27, 1908
Moll, Anton C., (Aff.)	July 24, 1857	June 4, 1858
Mayhew, John M.	Nov. 20, 1857	Jan. 13, 1865
Mecluer, John Pike, (Aff.)	Dec. 17, 1858	Feb. 8, 1898
Marsh, Charles	Oct. 14, 1859	Oct. 26, 1901
Meeker, John Lewis	Mar. 2, 1860	Jan. 18, 1907
Morgan, James Osborn	Dec. 19, 1862	Nov. 17, 1911
Mershon, Stacy Barcroft, (Aff.)	July 10, 1863	Oct. 21, 1882
Mayhew, Alfred P.	Dec. 9, 1864	Sep. 29, 1865
Messmore, James F., (Aff.)	Feb. 24, 1865	Dec. 16, 1870
Melick, Peter M.	June 2, 1865	Aug. 19, 1870
Moses, William Ridgway	May 22, 1866	Mar. 20, 1903
McKechnie, John McPherson	Aug. 17, 1866	
Miller, Roswell C.	Feb. 8, 1867	Jan. 13, 1871
Melrose, Kenneth	Dec. 6, 1867	Dec. 28, 1877
Mayo, Benjamin James	Mar. 12, 1869	May 9, 1890
Merritt, Edwin Payson	July 23, 1869	
Marsh, James F.	Aug. 26, 1870	Dec. 10, 1875
McCully, William John	Mar. 17, 1871	Nov. 2, 1913
Mathers, Samuel	Oct. 11, 1872	Sep. 9, 1880
Meeks, Edson H.	July 11, 1873	Jan. 10, 1879
McNally, Bernard	Mar. 27, 1874	Nov. 7, 1884
McLeod, William P.	May 3, 1878	July 1890
MacCallum, Douglas	May 16, 1879	Sep. 3, 1880
Mecluer, George Worthington	Nov. 7, 1879	Dec. 14, 1900
Martin, Merrick, (Aff.)	Feb. 20, 1880	Dec. 16, 1898
Mott, Charles B.	Aug. 25, 1882	
Morrison, Scoby Willard	Oct. 24, 1884	Apr. 7, 1887

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Mickens, Ludlow.....	May 6, 1887	
McCastland, John Thomas, (Aff.).....	Mar. 2, 1888	June 25, 1895
Mackay, William Manson.....	Mar. 22, 1889	
Moll, Lewis Morris.....	June 21, 1889	
Mapletoft, Robert Benjamin.....	Nov. 6, 1891	
Munn, Isaac Henry, (Aff.).....	Jan. 8, 1892	Nov. 19, 1897
Martin, Darius Vaughan.....	Apr. 14, 1893	May 17, 1907
Moen, Levi Wilson.....	Oct. 6, 1893	Sep. 13, 1907
Meeker, John Lewis, Jr.....	July 5, 1895	Nov. 17, 1911
Moyes, Edgar James.....	June 5, 1896	
Munsick, George W.....	June 19, 1896	Sep. 30, 1910
Marsh, Willis Lovell.....	Feb. 26, 1897	
McBurney, William Beattie.....	May 27, 1898	Dec. 13, 1912
Morton, Thomas Luther.....	Oct. 7, 1898	
Morton, Walter Adrian.....	Oct. 7, 1898	Apr. 15, 1911
Muth, Frank Theodore.....	Feb. 17, 1899	
Macknet, Charles Sylvester.....	Feb. 24, 1899	
Mariconda, Nicholas.....	June 9, 1899	Dec. 27, 1901
Mayo, Benjamin James, (Aff.).....	May 25, 1900	May 20, 1911
MacIntosh, Charles.....	Nov. 30, 1900	
Moore, William Bearder.....	May 31, 1901	
McIlveen, James.....	Dec. 6, 1901	
Metz, Edgar Clifford.....	Sep. 25, 1903	
Malmros, Johan Andreas Wilhelm.....	Mar. 18, 1904	
Messerer, Stephen.....	May 27, 1904	Nov. 14, 1913
McLean, Frederick P.....	Mar. 17, 1905	Apr. 1, 1911
Minchin, Harry Walepole.....	Nov. 10, 1905	
Mackey, Fred W.....	Dec. 16, 1905	Feb. 19, 1914
Martin, Victor William.....	Jan. 26, 1906	Dec. 13, 1912
McWilliams, James.....	June 7, 1907	July 11, 1914
Murgatroyd, James K.....	Sep. 20, 1907	
Mann, Edwin B.....	Oct. 25, 1907	
Morgan, Frank.....	Feb. 14, 1908	
Meerlander, Frederick Jerome.....	Mar. 6, 1908	Aug. 24, 1910
Morris, Nathaniel Wyckoff, (Aff.).....	Feb. 25, 1910	
Mischel, John.....	Apr. 29, 1910	Apr. 19, 1912
Mershon, Chandler Coates.....	June 3, 1910	
Miller, Jandon Templin.....	Dec. 30, 1910	
McLaren, John, (Aff.).....	Apr. 7, 1911	
Mergner, Charles Oscar.....	Dec. 20, 1912	
Mulroy, Mitchell Thomas.....	Mar. 21, 1913	
Mansfield, Fred Alfred.....	Sep. 19, 1913	
Mitchell, Walter Dawson, (Aff.).....	Oct. 17, 1913	
Morewood, Thomas Melville.....	May 1, 1914	
Morton, John.....	May 29, 1914	
Martens, Henry, Jr.....	Feb. 22, 1915	
Moebus, Peter.....	May 21, 1915	

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Moore, William, (Aff.).....	June 16, 1916	
Macknet, Charles M.....	June 16, 1916	
Miller, Frederick L.....	May 18, 1917	
Merigold, John L.....	Mar. 14, 1919	
Morris, Charles E.....	Mar. 14, 1919	
Mertel, John F.....	June 20, 1919	
Muller, John F.....	Apr. 16, 1920	
McKelvie, William.....	Sep. 14, 1917	
McCormack, J. A.....	Nov. 21, 1919	
Mayfield, Harry G.....	Feb. 20, 1920	
McDonald, John C.....	June 25, 1920	
MacKay, John A.....	Nov. 26, 1920	
Muller, Henry A.....	Nov. 26, 1920	
MacKay, William B.....	Apr. 29, 1921	
Meola, Michel.....	Apr. 29, 1921	
Mitchell, Alexander Gardner.....	May 24, 1921	
Moleshead, John R.....	Nov. 18, 1921	
Moritz, Charles G.....	Dec. 2, 1921	
Menagh, Hugh P.....	Feb. 3, 1922	
Murphy, Peter.....	Oct. 27, 1922	
Martin, C. Irving.....	Mar. 23, 1923	
Moser, William R.....	Dec. 14, 1923	
Moran, Thomas.....	Mar. 14, 1924	
Marthis, Edgar A.....	Apr. 18, 1924	
Melchior, Walter Cuno.....	Mar. 13, 1925	
Marsland, Fred.....	Feb. 26, 1926	
Mudron, Victor.....	Mar. 26, 1926	
Mayo, John H.....	Nov. 26, 1926	
Nuttman, James, (Chr.).....	Feb. 6, 1827 1858
Nuttman, Isaac W., (Aff.).....	Apr. 12, 1827	July 1, 1853
Nicholson, James.....	Mar. 15, 1850	Feb. 14, 1851
Norwood, Elias.....	May 24, 1850	Oct. 4, 1879
Nichols, John.....	Sep. 24, 1853	Dec. 22, 1854
Nichols, John A.....	Dec. 8, 1854	July 11, 1856
Newhoff, Henry.....	Sep. 26, 1856	May 9, 1901
Norris, John (Aff.).....	Nov. 7, 1856	Feb. 25, 1859
Nichols, George B.....	Feb. 20, 1863	Apr. 7, 1876
Norris, John (Aff.).....	Jan. 8, 1864	Dec. 18, 1868
Nungesser, Charles A.....	Nov. 25, 1870	Apr. 13, 1906
Newton, Samuel (Aff.).....	Jan. 6, 1882	Apr. 10, 1900
Nungesser, John Vliet.....	May 2, 1884	Dec. 14, 1900
Nichols, James Joseph.....	Sep. 27, 1901	
Nichols, Thomas William.....	Sep. 27, 1901	
Niebel, Jacob C.....	Dec. 11, 1903	
Nutty, Roger.....	Oct. 12, 1906	
Nesbitt, David (Aff.).....	Sep. 6, 1907	

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Nugent, James Edward (Aff.)	May 20, 1910	
Norton, Warren Mockridge	Mar. 22, 1912	
Nash, Thomas John	May 3, 1912	
Newell, Darius Crosby	Oct. 25, 1912	
Nye, Robert John	Sep. 19, 1913	
Nutty, Frederick	Apr. 28, 1916	
Nye, — (Aff.)	Dec. 8, 1916	
Norton, Warren M. (Aff.)	Feb. 15, 1918	
Nimitz, Robert E.	Feb. 1, 1921	
Ogden, John (Aff.)	Mar. 13, 1827	June 23, 1851
Ogden, Elias R.	Mar. 16, 1848	May 15, 1857
Overbaugh, Ephraim	July 3, 1848	Dec. 6, 1861
Ogden, James Camp	Oct. 9, 1848	May 1, 1855
Osmen, Daniel (Aff.)	June 7, 1850	Nov. 14, 1856
Osborn, Charles S. (Aff.)	Mar. 25, 1853	Nov. 28, 1882
Ottner, Joseph (Aff.)	Mar. 24, 1865	Jan. 15, 1869
Oviatt, Willis S. (Aff.)	Jan. 13, 1871	Nov. 7, 1884
O'Connor, John	Oct. 24, 1873	Aug. 25, 1902
Ogden, Horace Pierson	June 25, 1875	Dec. 6, 1902
Olds, Frank S.	Mar. 13, 1896	Sep. 22, 1899
Ohl, Charles	June 10, 1898	
Oliver, Edd O. (Aff.)	Jan. 17, 1902	
O'Brien, Thomas Francis	Mar. 28, 1902	
Oakley, Harry W.	June 27, 1902	May 17, 1907
Ortmann, Gustav Adolph, Jr.	Sep. 25, 1903	May 3, 1907
Orr, Samuel	April 23, 1915	
Oliver, W. F., Jr. (Aff.)	Feb. 8, 1918	
Obert, Wesley Van Cleef	June 11, 1920	
Peirson, Isaac H. (Chr.)	Feb. 6, 1827	Oct. 21, 1828
Peirson, George S. (Chr.)	Feb. 6, 1827	Aug. 2, 1831
Park, Hervey (Aff.)	Jan. 29, 1828	May 18, 1884
Plunket, Edward	Dec. 21, 1837	Nov. 3, 1845
Pierson, Thomas B. (Aff.)	Feb. 17, 1843	June 4, 1858
Phillips, Asa Mitchell	Jan. 23, 1844	Jan. 9, 1852
Pierson, Nathaniel	Feb. 12, 1844	July 26, 1847
Patterson, Erastus	Sep. 9, 1844	1850
Parsons, William	Sep. 22, 1845	Sep. 22, 1846
Phillips, Henry Frederick (Aff.)	May 18, 1849	Jan. 21, 1853
Plume, David Scott	Dec. 19, 1851	Feb. 19, 1907
Paynton, William	May 7, 1852	Dec. 6, 1861
Pilkington, William	June 21, 1852	Mar. 21, 1907
Peters, Horatio N. (Aff.)	Oct. 1, 1852	Nov. 14, 1856
Pool, James M.	Jan. 28, 1853	May 11, 1870
Phillips, Henry Frederick (Aff.)	Mar. 24, 1854	Oct. 12, 1855
Pritchard, Thomas Jehu	June 16, 1854	Feb. 3, 1860

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Pienovi, Joseph.....	Nov. 28, 1854	Mar. 31, 1888
Phillips, George C.....	Dec. 9, 1854	Nov. 30, 1860
Pettit, James.....	Aug. 31, 1855	Aug. 8, 1863
Palmer, Abraham M.....	Oct. 30, 1857	May 30, 1862
Palmer, Theodore Griffin.....	Sep. 17, 1858	Nov. 5, 1858
Passmore, William.....	May 20, 1859	Dec. 18, 1891
Petrie, Peter Conrad.....	June 17, 1859	Dec. 15, 1865
Pritchard, Thomas Jehu (Aff.).....	Mar. 30, 1860	Dec. 2, 1888
Pemberton, Samuel Hall (Aff.).....	Sep. 11, 1863	Dec. 14, 1900
Peters, Joseph F.....	Jan. 24, 1865	Apr. 10, 1887
Patterson, Emmet J.....	Mar. 10, 1865	Dec. 10, 1875
Parmenter, Isaac W.....	Jan. 12, 1866	Dec. 18, 1891
Poinier, Isaac.....	Mar. 9, 1866	Dec. 26, 1897
Pierson, Charles L.....	Oct. 26, 1866	Dec. 14, 1894
Pruden, Albert Edward.....	Dec. 14, 1866	Nov. 3, 1889
Payne, William G.....	Jan. 18, 1867	Nov. 7, 1884
Pruyn, Augustus.....	Mar. 27, 1868	Feb. 7, 1908
Post, William Henry.....	Oct. 9, 1868	May 8, 1905
Parkinson, George H. (Aff.).....	Oct. 9, 1868	Nov. 4, 1890
Peal, John Henry.....	Oct. 30, 1868	Dec. 14, 1900
Pierson, Abram R.....	Jan. 14, 1870	Nov. 7, 1884
Pruden, Charles Beach.....	Sep. 23, 1870	May 11, 1900
Potter, George Elias.....	Oct. 4, 1872	
Proft, Frank.....	Nov. 27, 1874	Oct. 15, 1911
Page, Frank I. (Aff.).....	Aug. 13, 1875	Jan. 10, 1879
Phillips, Asa Mitchell (Aff.).....	Jan. 7, 1878	Aug. 5, 1883
Page, Frank C.....	June 21, 1878	Oct. 23, 1892
Phillips, Henry Frederick (Aff.).....	Dec. 2, 1881	June 28, 1906
Perry, Henry Kingston.....	Nov. 10, 1882	
Povey, David.....	Oct. 12, 1883	Dec. 19, 1902
Palmer, Theodore DeCue.....	Dec. 7, 1883	Mar. 1, 1907
Plume, George Clinton.....	May 15, 1885	Oct. 5, 1906
Pesaturo, Francesco.....	Dec. 4, 1896	
Parker, Rossi Valleau.....	Feb. 11, 1898	
Plum, William Terhune.....	Dec. 15, 1899	
Perlee, Albert Nevius.....	Apr. 26, 1901	Dec. 28, 1906
Porter, George William (Aff.).....	Dec. 20, 1901	June 26, 1903
Perry, George Vreeland.....	Jan. 31, 1902	
Parmelee, Nathan Lord.....	Apr. 25, 1902	Jan. 8, 1909
Pinkerton, John Charlton.....	May 22, 1903	
Perkins, George W.....	June 5, 1903	
Pullis, Frank Atwood.....	July 10, 1903	
Prior, James Vincent.....	Apr. 29, 1904	
Parker, Eugene Edward.....	Dec. 16, 1904	
Pullen, Gilbert Seaman.....	Feb. 10, 1905	
Priesing, Gustave W.....	Apr. 28, 1905	
Pierman, Alexander Nehb.....	Jan. 26, 1905	

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Payne, Charles Henry.....	June 1, 1906	
Prest, John William.....	Dec. 7, 1906	
Pridham, William Fred.....	Dec. 7, 1906	
Perina, Anthony, Jr.....	Apr. 5, 1907	
Price, Aaron Leslie.....	Mar. 19, 1909	
Price, Clinton Geer.....	Feb. 1, 1910	
Price, Malcolm Graham.....	June 9, 1911	
Pach, Lester.....	Nov. 8, 1912	
Price, Frank Leslie.....	May 16, 1913	
Pilger, Adolphus Christian.....	Feb. 27, 1924	
Pfeffer, Harry.....	Apr. 19, 1918	
Poduska, R. B.....	Sept. 19, 1919	
Pinkerton, John C. Jr.....	Jan. 30, 1920	
Poduska, John.....	Nov. 26, 1920	
Plum, William.....	Feb. 4, 1921	
Preuss, Albert O.....	Feb. 3, 1922	
Pridham, Harold C. (Aff).....	Oct. 13, 1922	
Personette, Henry L.....	Mar. 14, 1924	
Patterson, John W.....	Sept. 19, 1924	
Pierrez, Robert K.....	Dec. 4, 1925	
Pere, O.....	Dec. 4, 1925	
Pyott, Arthur.....	Feb. 26, 1926	
Pryce, Edward.....	Nov. 26, 1926	
Quin, Harry J.....	Nov. 1, 1918	
Rankin, Andrew (Chr.).....	Feb. 6, 1827	Sep. 1, 1861
Rowen, Nathaniel.....	Feb. 26, 1828	Aug. 19, 1828
Reily, Michael.....	Feb. 19, 1839	Nov. 3, 1845
Read, John.....	Apr. 14, 1840 1851
Ross, William Lawrence (Aff).....	Feb. 17, 1843	Mar. 5, 1852
Ross, Edwin.....	Jan. 1, 1844	Feb. 19, 1858
Rorbach, Charles P.....	June 28, 1850	June 6, 1856
Reock, Aaron.....	Jan. 2, 1852	Nov. 25, 1873
Rutan, Nicholas W.....	Jan. 30, 1852	Apr. 16, 1852
Ryerson, Nathaniel W.....	Oct. 14, 1853	Nov. 14, 1856
Rose, Julius D.....	May 26, 1854	May 9, 1856
Ross, Flavel.....	Jan. 19, 1855	Jan. 14, 1859
Runyon, Theodore (Aff.).....	Aug. 17, 1855	Dec. 28, 1855
Rosseter, William.....	Mar. 21, 1856	Dec. 13, 1861
Ridler Alfred.....	Oct. 3, 1856	July 20, 1905
Ransom, Stephen Billings.....	May 8, 1857	Jan. 8, 1875
Randall, William N.....	Sept. 11, 1857	Dec. 10, 1875
Richardson, John C.....	Nov. 23, 1860	June 8, 1883
Russell, William D. (Aff.).....	Aug. 15, 1862	June 17, 1876
Riker, Peter Doremus.....	Apr. 7, 1863	Nov. 12, 1869
Ritchie, Charles Gardner (Aff.).....	July 24, 1863	July 29, 1870

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Ryno, George Mortimer	May 12, 1865	Jan. 13, 1914
Romaine, Peter Ralph	Nov. 24, 1865	Apr. 20, 1894
Rabone, Thomas	Jan. 12, 1866	Apr. 6, 1899
Russell, John B.	Oct. 26, 1866	Apr. 21, 1876
Reeve, William Alexander	Jan. 25, 1867	June 22, 1894
Roome, Charles E.	Mar. 4, 1870	Dec. 21, 1883
Rindell, Anthony Clawson	Dec. 19, 1873	Aug. 6, 1907
Riker, Peter Doremus (Aff.)	June 18, 1875	May 18, 1883
Robinson, James (Aff.)	June 29, 1877	Jan. 31, 1902
Roy, Frederick (Aff.)	June 29, 1877	
Rose, Theodore	Nov. 1, 1878	Dec. 14, 1900
Reeve, Thomas Denman Hudson	June 4, 1880	
Ray, John	Aug. 3, 1883	Aug. 19, 1888
Ruckelshaus, William Valtin	Nov. 27, 1885	
Robinson, James Elwood	Nov. 2, 1888	
Russell, Walter	Jan. 17, 1896	Dec. 14, 1900
Rose, Otto E.	June 30, 1899	
Reuper, Emil Henry	May 18, 1900	
Rielly, Thomas F.	Jan. 17, 1902	
Ritner, Joseph R.	Mar. 28, 1902	
Ricker, Samuel	May 9, 1902	May 20, 1913
Renwick, Thomas Henry	June 27, 1902	Dec. 13, 1912
Reed, Harry Edwin	Dec. 11, 1903	Dec. 13, 1912
Reidenauer, David A.	Mar. 17, 1905	
Ricker, William H.	Mar. 31, 1905	
Rummel, Clarence Schmidt	Jan. 26, 1906	
Rockwell, Lewis	Mar. 9, 1906	
Rauchmiller, Frank Xavier	Dec. 7, 1906	
Ressland, William Gotthold	Mar. 1, 1907	
Ross, Hugh P.	May 15, 1908	
Rehberger, Edward Arthur	June 9, 1911	
Robertson, Thomas	June 30, 1911	
Rood, Daniel Harrington	Dec. 8, 1911	
Redfield, Richard Seaver	Mar. 22, 1912	
Roney, Hugh	June 21, 1912	
Rasmussen, Richard Bernhard	Sep. 27, 1912	
Roehm, Richard	Nov. 8, 1912	
Rigg, Samuel Baum	Oct. 10, 1913	
Rasmussen, Bert	Dec. 19, 1913	
Rebham, John Veit	Mar. 20, 1914	
Rebham, William Martin	Mar. 20, 1914	
Rasmussen, Michael	May 29, 1914	
Raphael, Jacob	May 21, 1915	
Rochow, George J.	Jan. 14, 1916	
Ruff, A. J.	Sept. 19, 1919	
Reuter, George	Feb. 25, 1921	
Rowles, F. M.	Nov. 18, 1921	

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Robbins, George W. Jr.	Dec. 2, 1921	
Rudewick, Anthony A.	June 29, 1923	
Ross, Christian E.	Feb. 1, 1924	
Roger, Russell R.	Sept. 19, 1924	
Rabke, Julius H.	Nov. 21, 1924	
Ritchings, Robt. J.	Dec. 19, 1924	
Rabone, Nelson P.	Jan. 30, 1925	
Ross, Edgar Chas.	May 29, 1925	
Robinson, Thomas F.	May 29, 1925	
Reiboldt, George H.	Dec. 4, 1925	
Smith, Moses (Chr.)	Feb. 6, 1827	Jan. 26, 1833
Stevens, William (Chr.)	Feb. 6, 1827	Jan. 11, 1841
Spear, John D. (Aff.)	Sept. 20, 1836	Oct. 30, 1838
Stewart, Edward (Aff.)	Feb. 14, 1843	Jan. 11, 1856
Squire, Levi J.	Nov. 27, 1843	Apr. 29, 1883
Searing, Simon	Mar. 13, 1848	Dec. 11, 1862
Stonelake, John	Mar. 16, 1848	Oct. 3, 1851
Sanford, Levi H.	May 8, 1848	Apr. 16, 1852
Snyder, John Alfred	Jan. 19, 1849	Mar. 7, 1856
Snyder, Isaac Halsey	May 18, 1849	Dec. 18, 1868
Stivers, Arnold	June 8, 1849	Dec. 13, 1861
Stonelake, Henry	May 7, 1850	Feb. 6, 1852
Stewart, Daniel S.	May 24, 1850	May 20, 1875
Speer, Thomas S. (Aff.)	Oct. 3, 1851	Nov. 19, 1852
Swaffield, Robert	Sept. 3, 1852	Dec. 26, 1862
Sweazy, Joseph (Aff.)	Apr. 8, 1853	Dec. 7, 1866
Stone, Lorenzo	May 27, 1853	Nov. 30, 1860
Scott, John	Dec. 15, 1853	Dec. 13, 1861
Searfoss, Amos H.	Dec. 16, 1853	Dec. 23, 1864
Shipley, Amos	July 7, 1854	Sep. 5, 1862
Starr, Walter L.	Nov. 10, 1854	Jan. 11, 1856
Smith, Samuel E.	Dec. 9, 1854	Jan. 11, 1856
Speer, John C.	Dec. 19, 1854	Dec. 21, 1889
Sturges, William E.	Jan. 19, 1855	Dec. 19, 1902
Schalk, Hermann	Oct. 5, 1855	Jan. 11, 1856
Smith, Melancthon W.	Nov. 2, 1855	Feb. 1, 1856
Snyder, John Alfred (Aff.)	June 20, 1856	Sep. 25, 1897
Smalley, Fessenden C.	Nov. 28, 1856	Mar. 20, 1858
Snyder, Simon J.	Jan. 23, 1857	Dec. 26, 1873
Smith, Elisha M.	June 12, 1857	July 6, 1860
Seeley, Nathan E. (Aff.)	July 17, 1857	Oct. 2, 1857
Schwarzkopf, Christian Gottfried	Nov. 20, 1857	Dec. 5, 1862
Smith, Richard	Jan. 28, 1859	Jan. 13, 1865
Steeple, John Emmons	Dec. 9, 1859	Jan. 16, 1910
Smith, Anson G.	Mar. 2, 1860	Dec. 31, 1886
Smith, James M.	Mar. 16, 1860	Dec. 14, 1900

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Stein, Louis	Mar. 30, 1860	Jan. 10, 1879
Swaffield, William Cole	Aug. 14, 1860	Aug. 20, 1869
Sennett, Lucian P.	Aug. 17, 1860	Feb. 19, 1864
Simpson, David H.	Sept. 14, 1860	Jan. 28, 1864
Smith, George S.	Nov. 2, 1860	Dec. 4, 1874
Sturges, David B. (Aff.)	Nov. 16, 1860	Jan. 10, 1879
Slaight, Thomas	Dec. 14, 1860	Jan. 4, 1903
Shove, William	Apr. 12, 1861	Mar. 24, 1892
Smith, Edward S. (Aff.)	Sept. 12, 1862	Nov. 1, 1864
Soden, Henry C.	Mar. 13, 1863	Apr. 21, 1888
Smith, Alfred	Sept. 18, 1863	Feb. 1, 1873
Smith, Eliphalet C., Jr.	Feb. 6, 1864	Dec. 14, 1894
Smith, Aaron D.	May 26, 1865	Dec. 10, 1886
Stites, Caleb S.	Aug. 11, 1865	Jan. 10, 1879
Staats, George W.	Oct. 6, 1865	May 16, 1873
Stockmar, Bennett	June 22, 1866	June 26, 1868
Shuler, John R.	July 12, 1867	June 11, 1875
Stevens, B. LeRoy (Aff.)	Aug. 2, 1867	Sept. 5, 1880
Schenk, Henry V. D. (Aff.)	Jan. 17, 1868	Dec. 22, 1871
Smith, Linnaeus C. (Aff.)	Apr. 16, 1869	Oct. 25, 1901
Speer, William Edward	Sept. 17, 1869	Feb. 3, 1914
Seeland, Frederick F.	Feb. 9, 1872	June 8, 1883
Schmitt, Jacob Irving	July 18, 1873	Dec. 19, 1890
Silvester, Charles A.	July 25, 1873	Dec. 10, 1886
Smith, Richard	Mar. 20, 1874	June 25, 1877
Shipley, Amos (Aff.)	July 9, 1875	Apr. 16, 1878
Selby, William	Sept. 24, 1875	Mar. 2, 1911
Schmitt, William Gotthart	Nov. 12, 1875	
Smith, Charles B.	Sept. 29, 1876	Dec. 24, 1902
Scheel, Thomas	Oct. 27, 1876	June 28, 1901
Shurte, William	May 24, 1878	
Smith, Elmer Ellsworth	Oct. 27, 1882	
Smith, James R.	Nov. 14, 1884	July 29, 1892
Sloan, William John	Dec. 5, 1884	Dec. 16, 1892
Schmidt, Charles William	Mar. 18, 1887	
Schaeffer, Jacob H.	Nov. 9, 1888	July 8, 1891
Swan, William Romaine	Nov. 1, 1889	
Schweitzer, Bernard John (Aff.)	Dec. 12, 1890	
Skinner, Ben Moulton	Mar. 18, 1892	
Schieck, John Adam	Apr. 6, 1894	
Stratton, Matthias, Jr.	July 6, 1894	
Schmidt, Anton Franz Ludwig Theo- dore	Oct. 12, 1894	
Shipley, Oscar	Dec. 13, 1895	Jan. 18, 1907
Steiner, Emil E.	Feb. 11, 1898	
Sutherland, Hugh	May 20, 1898	
Schneider, Charles Frederick	Dec. 15, 1899	Nov. 17, 1911

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Schneider, Robert	Sep. 28, 1900	Jan. 7, 1910
Solliday, Charles Henry	May 3, 1901	Oct. 14, 1910
Steenstrup, Peter Severin	Oct. 4, 1901	Apr. 9, 1909
Schultz, Frederick William	Jan. 17, 1902	Oct. 28, 1910
Seylaz, John Henry	Nov. 28, 1902	
Schreiber, John Jones	Dec. 12, 1902	
Shattuck, Frank Albert	Apr. 24, 1903	July 4, 1903
Stringer, John Davidson	Apr. 24, 1903	
Schwoerer, Joseph	May 22, 1903	
Schultz, John Henry Evans	Dec. 16, 1904	May 17, 1912
Scherrer, Louis P.	July 7, 1905	Dec. 5, 1913
Seyfarth, Gustave A.	Sep. 29, 1905	
Schultz, Carl J.	Sep. 29, 1905	
Schantz, Lewis	Dec. 9, 1905	
Sachse, Charles Arnold	Jan. 26, 1906	
Sears, Edward Winfield	Oct. 12, 1906	
Smith, Lewis W.	Dec. 7, 1906	
Sachse, Harry Richard	May 17, 1907	
Sherlock, Oscar C.	Sep. 20, 1907	
Schmidt, George Peter Koehler	June 26, 1908	
Scheubel, Frank G.	June 26, 1908	
Stickles, Abraham Edward	Nov. 12, 1909	
Schomer, Peter	Mar. 11, 1910	
Schneider, Charles Stephen	May 13, 1910	
Schaeffer, Frederick Jacob	July 22, 1910	
Schaad, Emil	Nov. 4, 1910	
Stanaback, Ernest Coursen	Dec. 9, 1910	
Sack, Alexander Carl	Dec. 8, 1911	
Serbe, William Tobias, Jr.	Dec. 15, 1911	
Smith, Elmer Augustus	Mar. 22, 1912	
Schlobohm, Frederick William	June 21, 1912	
Stephens, Samuel Alexander	June 21, 1912	
Sacher, William	Aug. 9, 1912	
Surerus, Wilbur John	Sep. 27, 1912	
Schossling, Arnold	Nov. 8, 1912	
Schmidt, Herman Henry August, Jr.	Mar. 21, 1913	
Staulcup, Wilbert Richmond	Oct. 24, 1913	
Sweetland, George Arnold	Feb. 13, 1914	
Smith, Joseph	Feb. 27, 1914	
Shaw, Harry	May 29, 1914	
Scheibe, Frederick G.	Apr. 23, 1915	
Stoner, Charles M.	Apr. 28, 1916	
Scher, George	June 16, 1916	
Scher, Charles	Nov. 2, 1917	
Sweet, Edgar P.	Mar. 14, 1919	
Sacher, Alexander J.	May 23, 1919	
Simonson, Albert J.	Nov. 21, 1919	

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Seyfarth, William G.....	Nov. 21, 1919	
Schramm, Chris F.....	Nov. 28, 1919	
Stahlberg, Oscar B.....	Mar. 19, 1920	
Salkeld, Andrew G.....	April 30, 1920	
Snyder, John W.....	June 11, 1920	
Snedeker, Roy C.....	June 25, 1920	
Scholl, Ernest.....	June 25, 1920	
Snowden, John.....	July 2, 1920	
Sterling, Roy Vernon.....	Oct. 22, 1920	
Shaffer, William J.....	Mar. 18, 1921	
Schuh, August J.....	Apr. 29, 1921	
Schuatterer, Robert J.....	Nov. 18, 1921	
Schneider, Jacob.....	Nov. 18, 1921	
Smith, F. J.....	Feb. 3, 1922	
Seymore, George A.....	Feb. 17, 1922	
Springle, Fred. C.....	May 29, 1922	
Smith, Frank R.	Feb. 23, 1923	
Stafford, William T.....	June 29, 1923	
Schroeder, Leo A.....	Oct. 5, 1923	
Stanton, William A.....	June 20, 1924	
Safanda, Charles	1926	
Safanda, Frank	1926	
Schoellhamer, Millford W.....	June 18, 1926	
Skeen, George C.....	June 18, 1926	
Tucker, Charles (Chr.).....	Feb. 6, 1827	Nov. 13, 1832
Thompson, William.....	Dec. 1, 1836	Mar. 27, 1841
Thompson, William (Aff.).....	Aug. 23, 1843	Feb. 15, 1850
Terhune, James Johnson.....	Feb. 12, 1844	May 14, 1858
Terhune, William, Jr.....	Oct. 3, 1846	Mar. 27, 1907
Tyer, Henry George.....	Sep. 27, 1847	Mar. 19, 1850
Tay, William S.....	Oct. 2, 1848	Apr. 28, 1854
Thorn, William H.....	July 13, 1849	Oct. 9, 1869
Tunison, William (Aff.).....	June 21, 1850	Nov. 14, 1856
Todd, William R.....	May 3, 1852	Aug. 20, 1852
Tucker, Isaac Miller.....	June 25, 1852	Dec. 16, 1853
Terhune, Daniel J.....	Sep. 17, 1852	Dec. 18, 1891
Tuttle, James M.....	Feb. 25, 1853	Mar. 27, 1868
Turnbull, David B. (Aff.).....	Apr. 15, 1853	Mar. 13, 1863
Todd, William R. (Aff.).....	Apr. 22, 1853	Apr. 7, 1854
Thomas, James Henry (Aff.).....	Apr. 7, 1854	Dec. 26, 1862
Tuers, Sylvester P.....	Dec. 19, 1854	June 22, 1890
Tichenor, John Middlesworth.....	Nov. 13, 1857	Dec. 23, 1864
Trinder, William.....	Nov. 13, 1857 1901
Tobin, John (Aff.).....	Mar. 12, 1858	June 4, 1858
Taylor, Alexander Eugene.....	June 1, 1860	Jan. 20, 1911
Tuttle, William H.....	Apr. 10, 1863	Apr. 13, 1883

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Turner, George (Aff.)	May 29, 1863	Feb. 25, 1877
Tompkins, Obadiah	July 3, 1863	Feb. 19, 1889
Turner, John P.	Mar. 4, 1864	July 16, 1875
Tunsted, John	Mar. 4, 1864	Aug. 12, 1870
Turton, Cyrus W.	Oct. 28, 1864	May 10, 1872
Tunsted, Bartholomew	May 26, 1865	Dec. 10, 1875
Turner, William J.	Aug. 17, 1866	June 13, 1879
Treat, Harvey (Aff.)	Aug. 11, 1871	Dec. 1, 1876
Timmons, John	Dec. 12, 1873	Nov. 26, 1889
Tjaden, Frederick	Apr. 21, 1882	Sep. 23, 1888
Traphagen, William Dixon	May 28, 1886	
Tegen, Frederick, Jr.	June 3, 1887	Feb. 24, 1903
Tichenor, Charles Durand	Mar. 11, 1892	Dec. 6, 1907
Townsend, Isaac W.	June 14, 1895	Nov. 15, 1905
Tilley, Henry C.	Nov. 10, 1899	Mar. 16, 1900
Totten, Arthur Pruden	June 27, 1902	
Terhune, William A.	June 23, 1905	Feb. 1, 1912
Tiessen, William Fred.	Apr. 29, 1910	
Teed, Percy Livingstone	July 22, 1910	
Turner, Asaph Mather	June 21, 1912	
Tyler, Irving Tharwood	Sep. 27, 1912	
Turner, Arthur R.	Feb. 26, 1915	
Tenerelli, Louis D.	Apr. 30, 1920	
Thorp, Pierson H.	Nov. 9, 1923	
Thompkins, George M.	Sep. 19, 1924	
Utter, William T.	Sep. 1, 1876	Nov. 7, 1884
Urick, Alfred William	Oct. 27, 1905	
Uslar, Edward C.	Apr. 16, 1920	
Van Houten, Philip S.	Dec. 1, 1836	Dec. 12, 1839
Vanderbilt, John P.	Mar. 11, 1847	Oct. 5, 1849
Van Kirk, John R.	Nov. 12, 1852	Dec. 26, 1862
Valentine, Oscar Jay	Feb. 10, 1854	June 5, 1905
Van Ness, Nicholas	Mar. 22, 1855	Jan. 11, 1856
Van Ness, William J.	Feb. 8, 1856	Dec. 18, 1891
Vincent, John H., Jr.	Mar. 21, 1856	Nov. 30, 1860
Van Ness, James T.	Oct. 31, 1856	Dec. 18, 1891
Van Sant, Nicholas (Aff.)	June 7, 1861	Dec. 13, 1867
Van Arsdale, Abram (Aff.)	Apr. 25, 1862	Apr. 7, 1910
Valentine, Jonathan	May 9, 1862	Dec. 15, 1865
Van Ness, Ephraim	Jan. 13, 1865	Aug. 25, 1889
Van Winkle, Simeon, Jr.	Mar. 10, 1865	
Voorhees, John S.	Sep. 14, 1866	
Vanderhoof, Chillian F.	Nov. 4, 1870	Sep. 22, 1876
Vernet, George W.	July 28, 1871	Nov. 8, 1901
Van Clief, Benjamin (Aff.)	Nov. 5, 1875	

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Vreeland, James H.	May 29, 1885	
Vreeland, Edward	Feb. 14, 1890	Nov. 11, 1892
Vogel, George Louis	Oct. 20, 1893	
Van Arsdale, George D.	Sep. 22, 1899	
Van Steenbergh, Arthur	Apr. 28, 1905	
Van Arsdale, Frank Dawes	July 7, 1905	Jan. 20, 1911
Von Zimmermann, Max Kurt	Sep. 29, 1905	
Van Raalte, Arnold Harold Bernard	Oct. 12, 1906	
Vanderhoof, Charles Nelson	Nov. 12, 1909	
Vreeland, Charles Elsworth	Nov. 4, 1910	
Van Duyne, Wilmer Charles	Nov. 8, 1912	
Vermilye, William Henry (Aff.)	June 20, 1913	
Van Arsdale, Frank Dawes (Aff.)	Feb. 20, 1914	
Voorhees, Harold Carolyn	Dec. 4, 1914	
Vlasak, Gustave A.	Mar. 15, 1918	
Van Houten, Frank R.	Apr. 29, 1921	
Venino, Henry R.	Oct. 14, 1921	
Van Arsdale, Frank D. (Aff.)	April 20, 1923	
Vohden, Jr., John J.	Apr. 25, 1924	
Van Houten, Wm. H.	Sept. 19, 1924	
Whitlock, Thomas (Chr.)	Feb. 6, 1827	Aug. 16, 1832
Ward, John (Chr.)	Feb. 6, 1827	June 24, 1836
Woodruff, James H.	Dec. 21, 1837	Dec. 21, 1849
Woodruff, Robert S.	Mar. 6, 1838	Nov. 3, 1845
Wilson, Hamilton (Aff.)	Mar. 6, 1838	May 12, 1840
West, Bartholomew	Mar. 26, 1839	Feb. 14, 1851
Wilson, William	May 29, 1839	July 23, 1839
Wilcox, Amos (Aff.)	Feb. 17, 1843	Oct. 25, 1866
Woodhull, Jeremiah	June 14, 1847	Mar. 28, 1856
Woodruff, Albert H.	Mar. 16, 1848	Jan. 4, 1866
Wilson, Charles V.	June 1, 1849	Feb. 14, 1851
Williams, George W.	June 15, 1849	July 6, 1849
Winslow, James M. (Aff.)	May 16, 1851	Dec. 19, 1851
Warner, William	Sep. 19, 1851	Dec. 26, 1862
Whitney, Henry A.	Jan. 14, 1853	July 3, 1862
Wilson, Charles V. (Aff.)	Mar. 11, 1853	Aug. 12, 1870
Warsaw, Edward R. (Aff.)	Apr. 15, 1853	Dec. 16, 1870
Wetherill, Samuel	May 20, 1853	Sep. 9, 1853
Williams, James H.	May 27, 1853	Sep. 9, 1853
Wright, John E. (Aff.)	Sep. 23, 1853	Sep. 23, 1854
Ward, Aaron, Jr.	Oct. 21, 1853	Feb. 5, 1892
Ward, George	Oct. 21, 1853	Dec. 20, 1889
Warner, Henry	Jan. 13, 1854	Feb. 10, 1910
Wackermann, Michael	May 5, 1854	Jan. 11, 1856
Williams, Edmund	Sep. 15, 1854	Dec. 26, 1862
Wright, William	Sep. 15, 1854	Dec. 28, 1855

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Wade, David W.	May 18, 1855	Jan. 31, 1885
Wood, William H. (Aff.)	May 25, 1855	June 1, 1857
Woodworth, Reuben G. (Aff.)	Aug. 14, 1857	Mar. 17, 1891
Weaver, Jacob Edgar	Aug. 28, 1857	Dec. 1, 1876
White, Adolph (Aff.)	Aug. 6, 1858	Dec. 13, 1861
Winans, William Henry	May 6, 1859	Apr. 29, 1881
Whaly, Henry A.	May 4, 1860	Dec. 22, 1865
Woodruff, Albert G.	May 18, 1860	Oct. 5, 1860
Ward, Leonard, Jr.	Nov. 2, 1860	Oct. 3, 1862
Wallen, Charles A.	Mar. 1, 1861	July 10, 1872
Wright, Archibald, J.	Mar. 7, 1862	Feb. 9, 1865
Williams, John Robert (Aff.)	Sep. 12, 1862	Apr. 14, 1871
Waterhouse, Joseph	May 29, 1863	July 9, 1897
Wagner, Frederick William	Nov. 22, 1864	Jan. 12, 1912
Wilcox, George Edward	June 2, 1865	June 8, 1883
Wilson, Charles W.	Oct. 20, 1865	Jan. 3, 1870
Wilcox, Charles	Jan. 26, 1866	
Webster, James G.	May 10, 1867	Dec. 4, 1874
Weeks, Charles Edward	July 19, 1872	Jan. 4, 1918
Walsh, James B.	Oct. 25, 1872	June 8, 1883
Waterbury, Edwin Azariah	Oct. 24, 1873	
Walsh, Daniel	Nov. 21, 1873	Nov. 7, 1884
Walker, John (Aff.)	Jan. 23, 1874	Nov. 19, 1875
Wintermute, Edwin Hampton	Sep. 17, 1875	July 25, 1902
Warren, George A.	Sep. 5, 1879	May 9, 1890
Walker, Joseph	Jan. 20, 1888	
Winnett, George	Jan. 27, 1888	Dec. 14, 1900
Williams, John Robert (Aff.)	Mar. 30, 1888	Jan. 8, 1909
Whittaker, Joseph Andrew, Jr.	Jan. 4, 1889	Apr. 8, 1904
Weisgerber, Adolph Frederick	Apr. 1, 1892	
Wuner, Edward M.	May 6, 1892	Nov. 17, 1911
Wiebke, Friedrich	June 23, 1893	
Waldmann, Louis	Oct. 13, 1893	May 22, 1903
Waldmann, Fred Ernest	Oct. 13, 1893	Nov. 19, 1909
Webber, George A.	Dec. 15, 1893	
Wells, Stephen Isaac	June 1, 1894	Dec. 14, 1900
Willis, William Spader	Oct. 23, 1896	Dec. 10, 1897
Winans, Frederic Alonzo	Nov. 2, 1900	May 3, 1907
Wood, Charles Sample	May 3, 1901	Jan. 8, 1909
Ward, Lester W.	Oct. 4, 1901	
Wood, John E. P.	Oct. 10, 1902	
Wright, Frederick Charles	Oct. 10, 1902	Sep. 13, 1907
Wonderly, Silas	Mar. 18, 1904	
Walker, Henry Clarence	June 10, 1904	Mar. 24, 1905
Wiegman, George Horstman	Sep. 23, 1904	
Williamson, William Wyckoff	Dec. 16, 1905	
Walpole, John Wallace	Mar. 9, 1906	

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Whiteley, Frederick William (Aff.)	Dec. 28, 1906	
Whelen, George Lawrence	Sep. 20, 1907	
Watson, Joseph Campbell	June 26, 1908	
Wolf, Jacob Burdette	Apr. 29, 1910	
Willetts, Enos	Apr. 7, 1911	
Willetts, Albert	June 30, 1911	
Waldron, George Richard	Nov. 24, 1911	
Walker, Walter Edmund	Nov. 29, 1911	May 24, 1912
Weingaertner, Joseph Moritz	Dec. 8, 1911	
Wachtel, Charles William	Dec. 15, 1911	
Wakeley, Clarence Edward	May 3, 1912	
Wood, Willard Badon	June 21, 1912	
Waddington, Herold Alvin	Oct. 25, 1912	
Watson, James McGregor	Mar. 21, 1913	
Wolfe, William Sanders	Oct. 24, 1913	
Witzel, Jay Godfrey	Dec. 19, 1913	
Wallraff, John W.	May 18, 1917	
Waldron, W. H., Jr.	Dec. 14, 1917	
Walker, Jos. L.	Dec. 14, 1917	
Williston, Fred'k W.	June 20, 1919	
Wegener, Henry B.	Nov. 21, 1919	
Wojtech, Joseph	Jan. 30, 1920	
Weeden, Harry	Jan. 30, 1920	
Worley, Frederick J.	Jan. 30, 1920	
Whiteman, Elmer Kerth	Mar. 19, 1920	
Washer, Chandler C.	Apr. 30, 1920	
Wegener, August T.	June 11, 1920	
Weisgerber, O. F., Jr.	June 18, 1920	
Wilson, Frank H.	July 2, 1920	
Waring, Harry E.	July 2, 1920	
Winter, Frederick Howard	Oct. 22, 1920	
Wachter, William C.	Oct. 22, 1920	
Wallraff, Charles L.	Dec. 10, 1920	
Williams, Cyril	June 27, 1921	
Wallraff, Louis E.	Feb. 17, 1922	
Wallin, Anton G.	Feb. 17, 1922	
Wolte, Frederick L.	Sep. 29, 1922	
Wojtech, Anton F.	Feb. 1, 1924	
Wright, Elton E.	Apr. 18, 1924	
Williams, George R.	Jan. 30, 1925	
Warren, Garland W.	May 29, 1925	
Whiteside, Arthur	Feb. 26, 1926	
Young, Stephen H.	May 20, 1859	Dec. 10, 1875
Young, John Charles (Aff.)	Aug. 13, 1875	
Young, Nathan N.	Nov. 8, 1878	Mar. 27, 1888
Young, Alfred R.	Apr. 9, 1897	June 14, 1907

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Name	Admitted to Membership	Membership Ceased
Yung, Robert.....	June 20, 1902	
Young, R. Spencer (Aff.).....	Nov. 13, 1914	
Yeager, Harry H.....	Dec. 19, 1924	
Zehner, Philip.....	Sep. 12, 1856	July 16, 1869
Zeiss, Charles W.....	July 24, 1868	Sep. 17, 1869
Zimmerman, Alfred.....	May 19, 1905	
Ziegler, Walter Emmet.....	Feb. 10, 1911	
Zwainziger, Paul E.....	Jan. 14, 1916	
Zika, Frank.....	Jan. 24, 1919	
Zillemir, Fred.....	Nov. 28, 1919	

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MEMBERSHIP AT THE END OF EACH YEAR SINCE ORGANIZATION

Year Ending	Raised	Affiliated	Reinstated	Died	Dimited	Suspended	Expelled	Membership
Feb. 6, 1827—Charter Members—22								
Dec. 27, 1827	5	6	---	---	---	---	---	33
Dec. 27, 1828	3	3	---	---	3	---	---	36
Dec. 27, 1829	---	---	---	---	2	---	---	34
Dec. 27, 1830	---	---	---	1	1	---	---	32
Dec. 27, 1831	1	---	---	2	1	---	---	30
Dec. 27, 1832	---	---	---	1	4	---	---	25
Dec. 27, 1833	---	---	---	2	1	---	---	22
Dec. 27, 1834	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	22
Dec. 27, 1835	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	22
Dec. 27, 1836	2	2	---	1	---	---	---	25
Dec. 27, 1837	4	---	---	---	---	---	---	29
Dec. 27, 1838	3	3	---	2	1	---	---	32
Dec. 27, 1839	7	2	---	---	4	---	---	37
Dec. 27, 1840	1	---	---	---	4	---	---	34
Dec. 27, 1841	---	---	---	2	5	---	---	27
Dec. 27, 1842	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	27
Dec. 27, 1843	4	9	---	2	---	1	---	37
Dec. 27, 1844	10	1	---	---	---	1	---	47
Dec. 27, 1845	11	1	---	1	6	---	---	52
Dec. 27, 1846	6	2	---	1	1	---	---	58
Dec. 27, 1847	5	---	---	3	1	---	---	59
Dec. 27, 1848	13	---	---	1	1	---	---	70
Dec. 27, 1849	8	1	---	1	7	---	---	71
Dec. 27, 1850	10	2	---	1	3	---	1	78
Dec. 27, 1851	4	4	---	2	9	---	1	74
Dec. 27, 1852	16	1	1	---	13	2	---	77
Dec. 27, 1853	30	10	1	1	12	---	1	104
Dec. 27, 1854	31	3	---	2	7	1	---	128
Dec. 27, 1855	23	6	---	2	3	3	---	149
Dec. 27, 1856	24	6	---	---	31	11	---	137
Dec. 27, 1857	23	5	1	4	6	---	---	156
Dec. 27, 1858	6	6	1	3	10	---	---	156
Dec. 27, 1859	25	3	1	---	3	---	---	182

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MEMBERSHIP AT THE END OF EACH YEAR SINCE ORGANIZATION—Continued

Year Ending	Raised	Affiliated	Reinstated	Died	Dimitted	Suspended	Expelled	Membership
Dec. 27, 1860	37	4	-----	1	4	14	-----	204
Dec. 27, 1861	3	2	1	3	1	27	-----	179
Dec. 27, 1862	7	4	6	4	7	15	-----	170
Dec. 27, 1863	22	5	8	1	6	-----	-----	198
Dec. 27, 1864	21	2	3	4	7	6	-----	207
Dec. 27, 1865	30	3	5	1	11	15	-----	218
Dec. 27, 1866	24	-----	7	2	5	11	-----	231
Dec. 27, 1867	20	2	6	4	1	12	-----	242
Dec. 27, 1868	16	6	6	3	6	13	-----	248
Dec. 27, 1869	11	3	5	1	7	-----	-----	259
Dec. 27, 1870	14	1	3	6	10	7	-----	254
Dec. 27, 1871	15	3	2	3	9	3	-----	259
Dec. 27, 1872	9	1	5	6	8	6	1	253
Dec. 27, 1873	16	-----	5	3	2	7	-----	262
Dec. 27, 1874	8	1	3	2	1	18	-----	253
Dec. 27, 1875	7	6	5	3	5	23	-----	240
Dec. 27, 1876	6	5	11	4	3	18	-----	237
Dec. 27, 1877	2	3	3	5	2	-----	-----	238
Dec. 27, 1878	7	-----	4	3	2	-----	-----	244
Dec. 27, 1879	4	2	7	4	1	26	1	225
Dec. 27, 1880	3	1	-----	3	2	-----	-----	224
Dec. 27, 1881	3	2	-----	2	1	-----	-----	226
Dec. 27, 1882	5	1	4	2	1	-----	-----	233
Dec. 27, 1883	4	-----	3	4	5	9	-----	222
Dec. 27, 1884	4	-----	3	2	1	19	-----	207
Dec. 27, 1885	8	2	2	1	2	-----	-----	216
Dec. 27, 1886	3	1	4	2	1	6	-----	215
Dec. 27, 1887	4	-----	4	5	-----	-----	-----	218
Dec. 27, 1888	10	2	-----	7	1	-----	-----	222
Dec. 27, 1889	7	-----	-----	11	2	1	-----	215
Dec. 27, 1890	3	2	-----	5	3	-----	-----	212
Dec. 27, 1891	6	-----	-----	7	2	9	1	199
Dec. 27, 1892	9	2	1	5	2	2	-----	202
Dec. 27, 1893	15	1	-----	1	1	-----	-----	216

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MEMBERSHIP AT THE END OF EACH YEAR SINCE ORGANIZATION—Continued

Year Ending	Raised	Affiliated	Reinstated	Died	Dimitted	Suspended	Expelled	Membership
Dec. 27, 1894	10	1	-----	6	2	6	-----	213
Dec. 27, 1895	9	1	1	3	-----	-----	-----	221
Dec. 27, 1896	10	1	1	3	-----	-----	-----	230
Dec. 27, 1897	3	-----	2	6	4	-----	-----	225
Dec. 27, 1898	17	2	1	6	4	4	-----	231
Dec. 27, 1899	10	-----	1	4	1	-----	-----	237
Dec. 27, 1900	11	3	1	4	3	19	-----	226
Dec. 27, 1901	19	1	2	5	3	6	-----	234
Dec. 27, 1902	27	1	2	8	3	3	-----	250
Dec. 27, 1903	23	1	1	7	1	4	-----	263
Dec. 27, 1904	17	2	-----	3	1	-----	-----	278
Dec. 27, 1905	40	1	2	9	2	1	-----	309
Dec. 27, 1906	27	-----	4	5	5	-----	-----	330
Dec. 27, 1907	18	3	-----	9	10	7	-----	325
Dec. 27, 1908	13	1	5	4	-----	5	-----	335
Dec. 27, 1909	11	3	2	2	5	6	-----	338
Dec. 27, 1910	21	3	-----	9	4	-----	-----	349
Dec. 27, 1911	28	5	1	8	2	7	-----	366
Dec. 27, 1912	53	3	2	2	6	9	-----	407
Dec. 27, 1913	19	5	3	6	2	1	-----	425
Dec. 27, 1914	14	1	2	8	2	1	-----	431
Dec. 27, 1915	16	1	-----	9	7	3	-----	429
Dec. 27, 1916	11	5	2	7	10	-----	-----	430
Dec. 21, 1917	20	1	-----	7	12	-----	-----	432
Dec. 27, 1918	8	4	-----	14	-----	-----	-----	430
Dec. 26, 1919	24	-----	1	11	2	-----	-----	442
Dec. 17, 1920	52	-----	1	9	4	20	-----	462
Dec. 27, 1921	41	-----	3	7	1	3	-----	495
Dec. 27, 1922	22	1	-----	6	10	-----	-----	502
Dec. 21, 1923	17	2	-----	7	1	-----	-----	513
Dec. 28, 1924	33	1	1	4	8	3	-----	533
Dec. 18, 1925	19	-----	-----	13	4	-----	-----	535
Dec. 17, 1926	16	1	-----	7	3	-----	-----	542
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